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DATE 8-19-88 BY SP8 JY/SLK

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)
 FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (157-60) (P)
 RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
 KU KLUX KLAN, INC. Aka
 RM

Agency G-2, ONI, OSI, SER. SER.

Date F JUL 10 1964

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By FNF CH

Re Atlanta tel 4/13/64 to Director and New York, cc Org. Unit
 and Bureau airtel to Atlanta 7/1/64.

Enclosed for Director are eight copies of a Letter-
 head Memorandum and for New York one copy of Letterhead Memo-
 randum for information in view of residence and employment
 of Morris Abrams in that city. This information was originally
 furnished to New York by referenced teletype.

The original source for this information is [redacted]
 [redacted] Anti-Defamation League, [redacted]
 Atlanta, Georgia, who stated he would contact ADL in New York and
 have them notify [redacted] Atlanta notified [redacted]
 Atlanta Police Department, who stated he would notify [redacted]
 [redacted] has an informant in captioned organization who furnished
 him this information.

The Atlanta Office has maintained contact with
 the following informants and sources in an effort to develop
 further information regarding this matter.

[redacted] Anti-Defamation League, [redacted]
 [redacted] Atlanta, Georgia.

- 3- Bureau (Enc. 8) (RM)
- 1- New York (Enc. 1) (Info)
- 2- Atlanta

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Confidential Source.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Atlanta, Georgia

July 6, 1964

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

On April 13, 1964, a source advised that he had learned that JAMES RAVENABLE, Chairman of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., the headquarters for which are in Tucker, Georgia, has formed a six man "Execution Squad" to be known as the "Secret Six." Function of this group is to assassinate enemies of the Klan.

On April 12, 1964, source overheard conversation at headquarters in Tucker, Georgia, to the effect that "Secret Six" had selected three men for execution. These were [redacted] whose name source did not secure.

It is noted that [redacted]
[redacted], now residing in New York, where he is President of the American Jewish Committee and also chairman of a United Nations Sub-Committee on discrimination. SAM MASSELL is Vice Mayor of Atlanta, Georgia.,

This source, as well as other sources, advised as recently as July 1, 1964, that they have been unable to develop further information regarding this matter.

A characterization of captioned organization is attached.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Atlanta, Georgia
July 6, 1964

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Title National Knights of the Ku
 Klux Klan, Inc.

Character

Reference Letterhead Memorandum dated July 6,
 1964, at Atlanta, captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities
are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable
information in the past.

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Date: 8/7/64

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plain text or code)Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245)

SUBJECT: KLAN ORGANIZATIONS
CINCINNATI, OHIO
RACIAL MATTERSAgency G-2, ONI, OSI, SEC. SER,
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Re Bureau airtel to Cincinnati, 8/4/64.

Enclosed for the Bureau are eight copies of a LHM
suitable for dissemination; and one copy for Atlanta and
Knoxville for information purposes.[redacted] employee of [redacted]
[redacted] furnished information to SAS [redacted]
[redacted]Confidential source is [redacted]
[redacted][redacted] confidential source is [redacted]
[redacted] Ohio, who furnished information
to SA [redacted][redacted] furnished information to
SAS [redacted]

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 1 - Atlanta (157-60) (Enc. 1) (Info.)
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[redacted]
[redacted] furnished information to SA

Two copies of the LHM have been furnished to Secret Service, and one copy to 109th INTC Group, locally.

For information of Bureau, a photo of [redacted]
[redacted] was obtained and copies were immediately furnished to Atlanta and Knoxville in effort to determine if either man could be identified as heading KKK meeting at Chattanooga, Tennessee, on 7/26/64.

In view of [redacted] arrest for KKK activities on 8/6/64, by the Cincinnati PD and suburban police, a separate LHM will be immediately furnished to the Bureau and interested offices covering the pertinent details involved.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Cincinnati, Ohio

August 7, 1964

In Reply, Please Refer to

File No. 157-245

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DATE 8-19-88 BY SP802/101

RE: KLAN ORGANIZATIONS
CINCINNATI, OHIO

On July 26, 1964, and July 29, 1964, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that on Sunday afternoon, July 26, 1964, members of the Dixie Klans (DK), Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. (KKKK, Inc.) a special meeting was held at 2523 Glass Street, East Chattanooga, Tennessee. Shortly after 1:00 p.m., fifteen individuals, all reported to be from Cincinnati, Ohio and vicinity, arrived at the headquarters of DK, KKKK, Inc. At approximately 1:30 p.m., other members arrived, including about twenty to twenty-five individuals from Atlanta and Tucker, Georgia and vicinity.

[redacted] of the above organization, and an individual believed to be James R. Venable, Chairman of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK), and some of the individuals from Cincinnati and vicinity had private discussions. It was announced that the purpose of this meeting was to naturalize certain individuals visiting from Cincinnati, Ohio, into a klan organization. On this occasion, four individuals from Cincinnati, Ohio and vicinity were naturalized. Among these four individuals was one woman, who was being naturalized into the klan organization, supposedly for a klan auxiliary in the vicinity of Cincinnati, Ohio. Seven other individuals, reportedly from Cincinnati, Ohio and vicinity, were naturalized into a klan organization, name not known, approximately one hour after the first four were naturalized.

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This informant advised it was learned through general conversation that individuals visiting from Cincinnati, Ohio, were to form their own klan organization, name never mentioned, in the vicinity of Cincinnati, Ohio, and that they would also join the NKKKK.

Informant advised he learned later that the reason for the two separate ceremonies was that the four individuals who were first naturalized were not on friendly terms with the other seven individuals who were naturalized at a later time. Informant advised although fifteen individuals from Ohio were present, only eleven were naturalized into klan organization. Informant could furnish no information regarding mode of travel of these individuals or their identity.

This informant advised the members from Cincinnati, Ohio, reported that they previously had a klan organization in Cincinnati a number of years before but had disbanded. These individuals now plan to begin organizing a new klan group with headquarters in the vicinity of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Until approximately June 28, 1964, there was no indication of any klan activity or organization in the Cincinnati, Ohio area derived from sources in Cincinnati or from other field division sources.

WLW-TV carried a program on the evening of June 28, 1964, alleging that the KKK held a meeting and burned a cross on that date.

Harold A. Leonard, Reporter, WLW-TV, 140 West Ninth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio, advised Special Agents of the FBI, on June 29, 1964, that he had received four or five telephone calls at the television station on June 26, 1964. According to Leonard, the caller had asked if he was a reporter for the station and asked if he was interested in a news "scoop." Leonard stated it was his belief that the caller was a "crank" but after the fourth or fifth call, Leonard requested additional information from the caller. The unidentified caller told Leonard that the KKK was planning a meeting on June 28, 1964, and if the television station was interested in pictures,

further plans and arrangements could be made. The caller advised he would call again at 6:30 p.m. on June 28, 1964, and give directions at that time.

Leonard stated that he and Eugene Neuber, photographer, WLW-TV, arrived at the television station at approximately 6:00 p.m. on June 28, 1964. They received a call from this same unidentified caller at 6:15 p.m., at which time the caller asked if he was the party waiting for the 6:30 call. At this time, the caller advised he would call back, and he did so at approximately 6:25 p.m. Leonard stated that the caller was a man who seemed to have an accent similar to the local "hillbilly accents." Leonard stated he was reasonably sure that the same man had made all of the above telephone calls.

Leonard stated the caller gave him instructions to proceed to a given address in the Cincinnati, Ohio area. Leonard would not furnish any details of this address or the area where he went. Leonard advised that he and Neuber drove to the address given by the caller and this trip took about 25 minutes. When they arrived, a white car, make unknown, was parked across the street and completely blocked all traffic. Five men wearing white hoods were in the immediate vicinity of the automobile. Each man was carrying either a shotgun or carbine. The license tags of the car were covered with cloth. One of the men told them to park their car and this group of five men escorted Leonard and Neuber into a house.

Leonard stated that when he arrived inside the house, he counted fifteen men, fourteen of whom were wearing white hoods and one man was wearing a red hood. He stated he and Neuber were not allowed to leave the room but they could hear women's voices in the rear of the house. He stated he did not recognize any of the voices of the hooded men as being identical to the voice of the man who had called him at the station.

Leonard stated the man with the red hood was the leader. This leader told him that they had been having a meeting since 1:00 p.m., and approximately 100 men had been in attendance. The leader of the group indicated that this was a meeting of the KKK.

[redacted] confidential source, who has not furnished sufficient information to evaluate his reliability, advised a Special Agent that he observed a film of a local KKK meeting on WLW-TV at 10:00 p.m. on June 28, 1964. This source stated he believed the man wearing the dark KKK hood was one Clarence Brandenburg as the voice sounded similar to Mr. Brandenburg's with whom the source has spoken on many occasions. The source stated he has known Mr. Brandenburg [redacted]

[redacted] confidential source stated [redacted] has been connected with the National Association for the Advancement of White People (NAAWP), but he has broken with this organization and since that time has been attempting to set up a group of his own while continually promoting various extremist ideas and causes against the Negroes' civil rights movement and the Civil Rights Bill specifically. The source stated that in [redacted] told the source [redacted]

[redacted] The source stated [redacted] often contacts radio and television stations in the area in an effort to obtain additional publicity for his point of view. [redacted] source stated that on the evening of June 26, 1964, about 9:00 p.m., he observed that [redacted] a meeting of some sort at [redacted] Arlington Heights, Ohio. Between eight and twelve men attended this meeting and they arrived in five cars. The source stated that in his opinion [redacted] is the type of person who can become so involved in the civil rights fight that he might become violent and could possibly commit homicide if he were stirred up sufficiently.

[redacted] Arlington Heights, Ohio, advised Special Agents of the FBI on June 30, 1964, that he knew nothing about the KKK meeting on June 28, 1964, other than what he had observed on television. He denied any knowledge of KKK activities. He stated he was [redacted] the newspaper published by the NAAWP, which is an organization formed to unify the white people to vote for issues advantageous to the white race. He stated he is no longer a member of the NAAWP.

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[redacted] stated he attempted to join the National States Rights Party (NSRP), but he was never allowed to join as apparently someone in the organization did not trust him. He stated he is also interested in the American Nazi Party (ANP), but he is not a member.

Characterizations of the National States Rights Party and the American Nazi Party are attached to this communication.

On August 4, 1964, [redacted] [redacted] Arlington Heights, Ohio, advised a Special Agent of the FBI that he was a white supremacist, that he is not an integrationist, and strongly does not believe in race mixing. He denied being a member of any organized group to promote violence and stated he would not consider the use of violence to further his political beliefs. He stated if anyone has a warrant for his arrest that will be fine with him because he has not broken any laws of any kind and he will positively furnish no information since he would plead under the Fifth Amendment just like the communists do.

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On July 28, 1964, and August 6, 1964, [redacted] [redacted] of the NAAWP, advised a Special Agent of the FBI that he is positive [redacted] any klan organization in Cincinnati, Ohio, is [redacted] because he observed a film of a local KKK meeting on WLW-TV at 10:00 p.m., June 28, 1964, and the sound of the [redacted] was identical to the voice of [redacted]. [redacted] said he has spoken to [redacted] on many occasions and knows his voice sound. [redacted] said he has been acquainted with Brandenburg for [redacted]

[redacted] also advised that [redacted] and approximately eight other individuals travelled south recently to get some type of degree from the KKK. He could not furnish the exact location of the meeting or the identity of the persons who travelled south. He would not identify his source of information. [redacted] described [redacted] as being mentally ill, emotionally unstable, and the type of person who "blows up easily." [redacted] said for some reason,

possibly the fact that he is mentally unstable, a degree was not given to Brandenburg in the south and he became so enraged that he returned to Cincinnati, Ohio.

On August 7, 1964, the "Cincinnati Enquirer," a Cincinnati, Ohio daily newspaper publication, had the following subheadline article appearing on page one: KU KLUX KLAN LEADER HELD UNDER OLD LAW. Pertinent information contained in this article is as follows:

Clarence Brandenburg, 48, operator of Valley Teletronics, 618 Mill Street, Arlington Heights, Ohio, was arrested in his shop by Cincinnati and suburban police officials.

He was accused under an old Ohio State law with advocating criminal syndicalism and violating a state law which states that "no person shall unite with two or more others to commit a misdemeanor while wearing white caps, masks or other disguises."

Brandenburg was reported to have admitted KKK membership stating, "I am an imperial officer in the national KKK and proud of it."

Police, in searching his business and home, found a bright red hood with eye holes, three loaded weapons, numerous KKK literature, and a list of KKK members in Cincinnati. They also found books and periodicals dealing with militant right-wing organizations.

The list of members, which included about twenty names, was in a small coat-pocket memo pad, officers said.

Brandenburg was quoted to have said, "Jewism and Communism are back of all this, on my death, I will not make a statement - I will take the Fifth Amendment. The Communists do it and I can do it, too."

Brandenburg was taken to Cincinnati Police Headquarters and posted \$2,500.00 bond on each charge. He is to appear in Cincinnati Municipal Court today.

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NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY (NSRP)

On November 26, 1957, a source advised that the United White Party (UWP) was organized at a convention held in Knoxville, Tennessee, on November 10, 1957. An article in the November 26, 1957 issue of the "Greenville Piedmont," a newspaper of Greenville, South Carolina, reported "the recent formation of a new political party to be known as the United White Party." According to the article, the party was formed at a recently held meeting in Knoxville, Tennessee, at which many klansmen were represented. the UWP was reported as being opposed to all "race mixing organizations and individuals."

The July, 1958 issue of "The Thunderbolt," self-described as the "official Racial Nationalist Organ of the National States Rights Party," (NSRP) reported that rank and file "States Righters" had merged with the UWP under "the banner of the National States Rights Party," with national offices at Post Office Box 261, Jeffersonville, Indiana.

In November, 1958, a source advised that the NSRP is composed of past members of klan-type organizations and notorious anti-Semites.

Issue Number 19, dated June, 1960, of "The Thunderbolt," announced the address of the headquarters of the NSRP had been changed from Jeffersonville, Indiana, to Post Office Box 783, Birmingham, Alabama.

On June 17, 1960, a source advised that Edward R. Fields, the Information Director of the NSRP, is the individual who "runs the NSRP."

"The Thunderbolt" continues to publish articles attacking Negroes and persons of the Jewish faith.

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AMERICAN NAZI PARTY,
ALSO KNOWN AS
WORLD UNION OF FREE ENTERPRISE NATIONAL SOCIALISTS
CINCINNATI, OHIO

[REDACTED] Madeira,
Cincinnati 43, Ohio, advised a Special Agent of the FBI on
March 22, 1963, that he is an associate member of the American
Nazi Party (ANP) and is the ANP Organizer in Cincinnati, Ohio.

[REDACTED] indicated there is no active ANP in
Cincinnati and that the Cincinnati Branch, consisting of only
two members, is affiliated with the ANP parent organization
located in Arlington, Virginia.

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Memorandum

Return to Bureau

TO: : SAC, Atlanta (Your file only) DATE: August 7, 1964FROM: Director, FBI (Bufile and SerialRoom No. 2710

SUBJECT:

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN
90 DAY REPORT☒ Post in file and
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Title and Character of Case NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC., aka. RACIAL MATTERS		
Date Property Acquired 3/6/64	Source From Which Property Acquired <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 150px; height: 20px;"></div>	ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED DATE <u>8-79-88</u> BY <u>SP8 JY/et</u> #279,524
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Description of Property or Exhibit and Identity of Agent Submitting Same		

One 33 1/3rd RMP Phonograph record issued and distributed by NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, Tucker, Ga. Side one of this record is entitled "KU KLUX KLAN STOPS ATLANTA RACE WAR; UNITED NATIONS RIOTS JEWISH-LED; POLICE PROTECTED BY MAYOR IVAN ALLEN." Side two is entitled, "KU KLUX KLAN WILL SAVE AMERICAN AND CAUCASIAN RACE - JOIN IT!" This record is narrated by HERBERT WALLACE BUTTERWORTH, Public Relations Director of National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)
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Re Bureau airtel, dated 7/1/64, and Atlanta
airtel dated 7/6/64.

Contact with informants and sources in Atlanta
has failed to develop further information concerning
six-man "Execution Squad" known as the "Secret Six."

Atlanta maintaining contact with these
sources and informants in an effort to develop further
information re this matter.

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TO DIRECTOR, ATLANTA AND CINCINNATI

FROM KNOXVILLE 157-117 6 P

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC., AKA (NKKKK)
RACIAL MATTERS. ATLANTA O.O. BUFILE ONE FIVE SEVEN DASH ONE
SIX EIGHT. [REDACTED]

DIXIE KLAN, KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC., RACIAL
MATTERS. KNOXVILLE OO. BUFILE ONE ZERO FIVE DASH SIX FIVE
THREE SEVEN FOUR. [REDACTED]

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UNSUB, AKA, KU KLUX KLAN, CINCINNATI, OHIO. CINCINNATI
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REPORTED JULY TWENTY SIX LAST

16 JUL 29 1964

A MEETING WAS HELD AT NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS, DK, KKKK, INC.,
CHATTANOOGA, TENN., AFTERNOON JULY TWENTY SIX LAST. PURPOSE
OF MEETING WAS TO NATURALIZE ELEVEN MEMBERS OF A NEWLY FORMED
KKK ORGANIZATION WITH HEADQUARTERS CINCINNATI, OHIO, AND TO
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ACCEPT THIS KLAN ORGANIZATION INTO THE NKKKK. INFORMANT REPORTED APPROXIMATELY SEVENTYFIVE PERSONS PRESENT, INCLUDING ELEVEN FROM CINCINNATI, OHIO, TWENTYFIVE REPRESENTING NKKKK, TUCKER, GA., AND ATLANTA, GA., VICINITY, INCLUDING CHAIRMAN OF THIS ORGANIZATION, JAMES R. VENABLE. REMAINING PRESENT WERE MEMBERS DIXIE KLANS, KKKK, INC., CHATTANOOGA, TENN., WITH FEW MEMBERS FROM ROSSVILLE, GA., WHO ATTEND DK MEETINGS CHATTANOOGA.

CINCINNATI, OHIO MEMBERS, NAMES NOT GIVEN, ARRIVED SHORTLY AFTER ONE P.M. AND WITHIN APPROXIMATELY THIRTY MINUTES GEORGIA MEMBERS NKKKK BEGAN ARRIVING BY CAR. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DK, KKKK, VENABLE, AND OTHERS HELD PRIVATE CONFERENCE IN CLOSED MEETING NOT OPEN TO RANK AND FILE MEMBERS. AFTER THIS MEETING, REGULAR KLAN MEETING WAS OPEN IN LODGE HALL. DURING THIS MEETING, OPEN TO RANK AND FILE MEMBERS, FOUR MEMBERS OF DELEGATION FROM CINCINNATI, OHIO, WERE NATURALIZED INTO NEW KKK ORGANIZATION WITH HEADQUARTERS REPORTED TO BE CINCINNATI.

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NAME OF NEW KLAN GROUP AND NAMES OF MEMBERS NOT MENTIONED. MEETING ADJOURNED AND LEADERS AGAIN HELD PRIVATE CONFERENCE. APPROXIMATELY ONE HOUR LATER, ANOTHER MEETING WAS CALLED, AGAIN OPEN TO RANK AND FILE MEMBERS. ON THIS OCCASION, SEVEN ADDITIONAL MEMBERS CINCINNATI, OHIO, NATURALIZED. AGAIN NO NAMES OF ORGANIZATION OR MEMBERS WAS MENTIONED AND AFTER MEETING ADJOURNED LEADERS HELD ANOTHER PRIVATE CONFERENCE NOT OPEN TO RANK AND FILE MEMBERS.

CINCINNATI MEMBERS LEFT APPROXIMATELY FOUR THIRTY P.M. NO OTHER MEETINGS HELD AFTER THAT TIME. MAJORITY GEORGIA MEMBERS WERE STILL PRESENT AT FIVE THIRTY P.M. HOWEVER, THEY APPEARED ONLY TO BE LOAFING IN RECREATIONAL HALL, DK, KKKK, INC., AND VISITING WITH RANK AND FILE MEMBERS. DURING ABOVE AFTERNOON SESSION, DK, KKKK, INC., HAD MEMBERS OUTSIDE THEIR BUILDING ACTING AS LOOKOUTS.

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INFORMANT WAS [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
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NO OHIO CARS

LOCATED AND INFORMANT ONLY SAW GEORGIA AND LOCAL TENN. LICENSE. INFORMANT REPORTED NO MEMBERS OF ANY KLAN GROUP FROM ALABAMA WAS PRESENT AND ONLY OUT OF TOWN MEMBERS OTHER THAN ROSSVILLE, GA., MEMBERS OF DK, KKKK PRESENT WERE THOSE REPRESENTING NKKKK.

BUREAU AGENT ALSO SPOT CHECKED VICINITY OF MEETING, AS WELL AS POSSIBLE WITH DK LOOKOUTS BEING PRESENT. ONLY GEORGIA AND LOCAL TENN. LICENSES OBSERVED. HOWEVER, MAJORITY GEORGIA CARS PARKED ON LOT DIRECTLY ACROSS FROM DK HEADQUARTERS WITHIN SIGHT OF LOOKOUTS WITH REAR OF CARS PARKED NEXT TO A LARGE BUILDING MAKING IT IMPOSSIBLE TO OBTAIN LICENSE NUMBERS. TWO GEORGIA CARS OBSERVED ON STREET, ONE LATE MODEL RAMBLER STATION WAGON, FOUR DOOR, BEARING SIXTYFOUR GEORGIA LICENSE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DARK BROWN BODY AND WHITE TOP, AND APPROXIMATELY FIVTYSIX FORD STATION WAGON, FOUR DOOR, LIGHT BLUE BODY, WHITE TOP, SIXTYFOUR GEORGIA LICENSE [REDACTED]

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INFORMANT REPORTED ONLY BUSINESS TRANSPIRED WHICH RANK AND FILE MEMBERS HAD ACCESS TO WAS NATURALIZATION OF MEMBERS FROM CINCINNATI ON TWO SEPARATE OCCASIONS. ALL OTHER BUSINESS TOOK PLACE IN CLOSED CONFERENCE OF LEADERS. MEMBERS FROM CINCINNATI REPORTED THEY HAD PREVIOUSLY HAD KLAN ORGANIZATION CINCINNATI, NUMBER OF YEARS BEFORE, BUT HAD DISBANDED. REPORTED THEY NOW PLAN TO BEGIN ORGANIZING A NEW KLAN GROUP WITH HEAD-QUARTERS VICINITY OF CINCINNATI AND WERE ALSO GOING TO JOIN NKKKK.

DUE [REDACTED] OF INFORMANT, [REDACTED] INFORMANT MONDAY NIGHT, DK, KKKK MEETING TUESDAY NIGHT, THIS INFORMANT CANNOT BE INTERVIEWED IN DETAIL UNTIL WEDNESDAY NIGHT. LHM AND FULL DETAILS RE ABOVE MEETING TO BE SUBMITTED AFTER THIS CONTACT DK, KKKK, INC.

ATLANTA WILL CONTACT INFORMANTS RE FULL DETAILS OF ABOVE DESCRIBED MEETING, DETERMINE TO WHOM ABOVE TWO GEORGIA LICENSE REGISTERED AND IF PHOTOS OF PERSONS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN IN

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ATTENDANCE THIS MEETING ARE AVAILABLE, MAIL DIRECTLY TO
CHATTANOOGA RA, [REDACTED] TO BE EXHIBITED
INFORMANT WEDNESDAY JULY TWENTYNINE NEXT FOR POSSIBLE
IDENTIFICATION.

CINCINNATI WILL CONTACT INFORMANTS RE ANY FACTS KNOWN
CONCERNING ABOVE MEETING, NAMES OF POSSIBLE INDIVIDUALS PRESENT
AND IF PHOTOS AVAILABLE, FORWARD DIRECTLY CHATTANOOGA RA TO BE
EXHIBITED WEDNESDAY JULY TWENTYNINE TO INFORMANT.

KNOXVILLE AT CHATTANOOGA, WILL SECURE FULL FACTS RE
MEETING FROM INFORMANT, SUBMIT LHM AND ANY ADDITIONAL LEADS
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1009 AM EST URGENT 7/28/64 MRB

TO DIRECTOR ~~157-156~~; KNOXVILLE 157-117; AND CINCINNATI
FROM ATLANTA 157-60

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC., AKA., (NKKKK)
RACIAL MATTERS. OO-ATLANTA.

RE KNOXVILLE TELETYPE, JULY TWENTYSEVEN LAST.

ATLANTA INFORMANTS UNABLE TO FURNISH ANY INFO RE MEETING
DESCRIBED IN REFERENCED TELETYPE.

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ISSUED TO

ITHIA SPRINGS, GA., FOR SIXTYTWO RAMBLER STATION
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ATLANTA INDICES NEGATIVE RE ABOVE.

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By La. S. CH

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

To: Director, FBI (157-168)

Date: 7/31/64

From: W. B. SA SAC, Knoxville (157-117)

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF
THE KU KLUX KLAN
RACIAL MATTERS
(AT O.O.)

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Re Knoxville teletype to Bureau, Atlanta, and
Cincinnati 7/27/64.

Submitted herewith to the Bureau are eight copies
of letterhead memorandum dated 7/31/64 and eight copies of
an informant evaluation memorandum, same caption. Submitted
to Atlanta are three copies of letterhead memorandum and
three copies of informant evaluation memorandum. Two copies
each are submitted to Cincinnati Division. One copy of each
submitted to local intelligence agencies.

INFORMANTS:

Confidential Source is

In an effort to identify possible members from
Cincinnati, Ohio, and vicinity, it is noted as set forth in
referenced teletype that reported as spending
 the DK, KKKK,
Inc. headquarters in an This met
with negative results. It was also pointed out that DK,
KKKK, Inc., had lookouts in front of their building to
observe anyone loitering in the vicinity and that the cars
driven by the Atlanta visitors were parked facing the street
with the rear of the car and license up against a large build-
ing located directly across from the DK, KKKK, Inc. headquarters.

- 2 - Bureau (Enc. 16) (RM)
- 3 - Atlanta (157-60) (Enc. 6) (RM)
- 2 - Cincinnati (157-245) (Enc. 4) (RM)
- 4 - Knoxville (1 - 157-117)
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Spot checks by Bureau Agent also met with negative results in connection with locating any cars other than those from Georgia and local Chattanooga, Tennessee, cars. The only license number obtained during this spot check by Bureau Agent of out-of-state automobiles were set forth in referenced teletype.

It is noted that 15 individuals, reportedly from Cincinnati, Ohio, and vicinity, and approximately 20-25 from Atlanta and Tucker, Georgia, and vicinity, together with a large number of members from Chattanooga, Tennessee, and Rossville, Georgia, vicinity, who were members of the DK, KKKK, Inc., were present. Approximately 75 persons in all were present during the afternoon of July 26, 1964, at the headquarters of the DK, KKKK, Inc. Due to the large number present, it was extremely difficult for [redacted] to obtain detailed description concerning persons present and also record the names of the individuals from Chattanooga, Tennessee, who were present. Informant reported that the visiting members from Georgia, as well as Cincinnati, Ohio, and vicinity, were very obvious in the fact that they did not introduce themselves, did not furnish their names, and it was very difficult to try to identify any of the visiting individuals.

The following is a general description of some of the visiting members as well as a list of the members from Chattanooga, Tennessee, and vicinity, who were present at this meeting:

Cincinnati, Ohio, and vicinity:

Among the first four individuals who were naturalized into the klan organization was one woman, described as a white female, 150-160 lbs., 5'7", blond, approximately 20 years of age, large build, but not considered fat, good-looking. This woman was accompanied by a white male, approximately 55 years of age, 5'7", 145 lbs., fair complexion, black hair, slender build. Also initiated with these two individuals were two individuals of similar description, described as both approximately 40 years of age, 5'7", 140 lbs., black hair, slender build, fair complexion. Informant advised in the seven individuals who were initiated on the second time from Cincinnati, Ohio, and vicinity, the majority of them met the same general description was the last two men described above, 40 years of age, 5'7", 140 lbs., black hair,

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slender build. He stated among this group was one individual white male, early 40's, approximately 6'2", very slender build, black hair, with streaks of grey, fair complexion. Informant was unable to furnish any more detailed description concerning the above and could not furnish a description of the four other individuals who were not naturalized into a klan organization. He did report that among the 15, only one woman was present.

Tucker, Georgia, and Atlanta Georgia, and Vicinity
Representing the NKKKK

JAMES R. VENABLE

One individual described as a white male, 40-45 years of age, 5'8", 145 lbs., black hair, receding, moustache, medium complexion, appeared to be one of the leaders representing the NKKKK. This individual took part in the ceremony of the naturalization of the above two groups, in that he escorted the new members into the closed meeting. Informant advised that there were three women visitors from Tucker, Georgia, and vicinity. He described them as follows: white female, 50 years of age, 5'7", 120 lbs., tall, slender, Tucker, Georgia, reportedly bookkeeper or businesswoman from Tucker, Georgia. This individual reportedly previously seen by informant at a meeting at Tucker, Georgia, in April, 1964; white female, 50 years of age, 5'6", 200 lbs. or more, short, extremely heavy build, black short hair, possibly from Tucker, Georgia; white female, 30 years of age, slender build, 5'5", 130 lbs., medium length black hair. Informant was unable to furnish any detailed description concerning the other individuals from Tucker and Atlanta, Georgia, and vicinity.

The informant advised, that if shown photographs of individuals from Tucker, Georgia, Atlanta, Georgia, and Cincinnati, Ohio, and vicinity, he feels he could possibly identify some of the visiting individuals.

Informant advised the following members of the DK, KKKK, Inc., were present at the above-described meeting:

*Dixie H. Ross, Knight
of the Black
Klan*

*Chatterbox
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members of Dixie Klan, Knights & Ku Klux Klan



Chattanooga, Tenn

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ATLANTA AND CINCINNATI DIVISIONS:

Atlanta and Cincinnati will contact appropriate informants and sources in an effort to determine the identity of the individuals attending the above meeting at Chattanooga, Tennessee. Will forward any photographs available concerning possible persons present to be exhibited to  or possible identification.

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Knoxville, Tennessee
July 31, 1964

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
RACIAL MATTERS

On July 26, 1964, and July 29, 1964, A Confidential Source advised that the Dixie Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. (DK, KKKK, Inc.) has national headquarters located 2523 Glass Street, East Chattanooga, Tennessee. [redacted]

[redacted] of this organization. This organization has one large active klavern which also uses the same two-story building at the above address. The second floor of this building is for the sole purpose of holding closed klan meetings. The first floor is a recreation hall, pool table, etc., and one private office for klan leaders.

This informant advised that on Sunday afternoon, July 26, 1964, members of the DK, KKKK, Inc., were advised a special meeting would be held on that afternoon. At approximately 1:00 p.m., several members of the DK, KKKK, Inc., Chattanooga, Tennessee, began to gather at the above recreation hall. Shortly after 1:00 p.m., fifteen individuals, all reported to be from Cincinnati, Ohio, and vicinity, arrived at the headquarters of the DK, KKKK, Inc. They reportedly had been having lunch at the Dollar House located in the 2400 block of Glass Street, East Chattanooga, Tennessee, prior to coming to the meeting hall. At approximately 1:30, several members of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan from Tucker, Georgia, and Atlanta, Georgia, and vicinity, began arriving in cars. Approximately 20-25 individuals from Atlanta and Tucker, Georgia, and vicinity, arrived. All of the above associated and discussed informally klan activities with the various members of the DK, KKKK, Inc., who were in the recreation hall.

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[redacted] and an individual believed to be JAMES R. VENABLE, chairman of the NKKKK, and some of the individuals from Cincinnati, Ohio, and vicinity, had private discussions. Shortly after this, a meeting was called on the second floor of the klan building and the meeting was under [redacted]

It was announced that the purpose of this meeting was to naturalize certain individuals visiting from Cincinnati, Ohio, into a klan organization. Informant advised that the initiation was a little irregular in that the exact name of the klan organization was not mentioned and the names of the members were not mentioned to those present. The naturalization ceremony took place with DK, KKKK, Inc., officers handling the majority of the naturalization ceremony. On this occasion, four individuals from Cincinnati, Ohio, and vicinity were naturalized. Among these four individuals was one woman, who was being naturalized into the klan organization, supposedly for a klan auxiliary in the vicinity of Cincinnati, Ohio. Immediately following the naturalization, the meeting was disbanded and all members described above returned to the recreation room where they again had an informal visit with members of the DK, KKKK, Inc. and visiting members.

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Again, [redacted] and the individual believed to be VENABLE, and other individuals from Cincinnati, Ohio, and vicinity, had private discussions and approximately one hour later another closed meeting was scheduled on the second floor of this building. On this occasion, naturalization was similar to the one that had previously occurred, approximately one hour before, and on this occasion seven other individuals, reportedly from Cincinnati, Ohio, and vicinity, were naturalized into a klan organization, name not known. Immediately following this naturalization, the meeting was again adjourned and all present returned to the recreation hall for informal association.

This informant advised it was learned through general conversation that individuals visiting from Cincinnati, Ohio, were to form their own klan organization, name never mentioned, in the vicinity of Cincinnati, Ohio, and that they would also join the NKKKK. However, informant advised that at no time during the above meeting or during the informal association in the recreation room did he receive any information of a charter being issued by VENABLE, [redacted] or any of the other officials of any klan organization.

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Informant advised he learned later that the reason for the two ceremonies was that the four individuals who were first naturalized were not on friendly terms with the other seven individuals who were naturalized at a later time. Informant advised that although fifteen individuals from Ohio were present, only eleven were naturalized into klan organization. Informant could furnish no information regarding mode of travel of these individuals. He reported all of the above individuals from Ohio departed from the klan hall approximately 4:30 p.m., July 26, 1964.

Informant advised that the individuals from Tucker, Georgia, and Atlanta, Georgia, represented the NKKKK, and were still at the DK, KKKK, Inc. headquarters at approximately 5:30 p.m. However, at that time they were preparing to return to Atlanta, Georgia, and vicinity. Informant advised no other business was reportedly transpired at this meeting, which was known to the rank and file members. Informant could furnish no information regarding private conversation between VENABLE and [redacted] and other individuals from Cincinnati, Ohio.

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**DIXIE KLANS, KNIGHTS OF
THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
(TENNESSEE)**

Confidential Sources advised it was announced at a meeting of Klavern #1, U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., at Chattanooga, Tennessee, on September 17, 1957, that some former leaders of Klavern #1 and their close associates had been banished from U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., during the preceding week.

Sources advised those individuals who were banished formed a new klan organization known as Dixie Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., with headquarters in Masonic Hall, 2523 Glass Street, East Chattanooga, Tennessee. A general welfare charter was secured from the State of Tennessee on October 21, 1957, which charter lists some of the purposes of the organization as freedom of speech and association, rejection of forced integration, preservation of the Constitutions of the United States and of Tennessee, and preservation of the sovereignty of each state.

On April 26, 1962, Source stated that the Dixie Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., has active klaverns in Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama, and Virginia. This informant advised attempts were made to organize klaverns of this organization in Arkansas, Mississippi, Florida, South Carolina, and North Carolina, but the attempts at organization in these states have not been successful.

A Confidential Source advised during the fall of 1960 that a "den" of Klavern #1, DK, KKKK, Inc., Chattanooga, Tennessee, consisting of [redacted] including [redacted] of DK, KKKK, Inc. [redacted] of Klavern #1, Chattanooga, Tennessee (the local chapter president) and others, all listed as members of Klavern #1, DK, KKKK, Inc., Chattanooga, Tennessee, during July, August, and September, 1960, were reportedly responsible for five bombings of residences of Hamilton County, Tennessee, during July and August, 1960. Some of these members and alternates of "den" held closed meetings and discussed bombings and other acts of violence. These meetings

were reportedly closed and rank and file members of this organization unaware of such. All reported members and alternates of "den" interviewed during another investigation, denied knowledge of bombings or acts of violence, denied knowledge of "den" of DK, KKKK, Inc., and majority admitted membership in DK, KKKK, Inc.

Sources have reported as late as September, 1963, that for the past eighteen months or more, none of the DK, KKKK, Inc., members or leaders, including [redacted] [redacted] have discussed any acts of violence. In fact, during this period 1962-63, Negroes have demonstrated at Chattanooga, Tennessee, seeking integration of public and municipal facilities. In addition to these demonstrations some of the public schools, Chattanooga, have been integrated during the fall of 1962 and the fall of 1963. During these demonstrations and the integration of these schools, [redacted] [redacted] and other DK, KKKK, Inc., leaders at closed meetings of this organization, and on an individual basis, have instructed members of this organization to stay away from areas of demonstrations by Negroes and schools where integration was occurring, not to participate in any demonstrations or attempt to interfere with any Negro demonstrations, not to be seen in such areas, not to commit any acts of violence or advocate any acts of violence or become engaged in any arguments over above matters.

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From October 1960 to September 1963, no acts of violence have occurred at Chattanooga and vicinity. During this period DK, KKKK, Inc., has continued to operate as an active organization and during the same period all municipal facilities, Chattanooga, have been integrated, the majority of public facilities, including theatres, restaurants, motels, hotels and other facilities have been integrated, plus integration of schools during the fall of 1962 and the fall of 1963. All have been accepted peacefully with no demonstrations or acts of violence or discussion of acts of violence by DK, KKKK, Inc., members.

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Knoxville, Tennessee
July 31, 1964

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
RACIAL MATTERS

Reference is made to memorandum captioned as
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To: SAC, Atlanta

From: Director, FBI

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0 NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

ReATairtel and letterhead memorandum both dated July 6, 1964, concerning "Secret 6" group formed to assassinate enemies of the Klan.

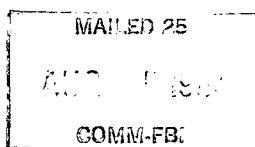
Advise Bureau current status of this "execution squad" and pertinent information developed. Submit original and seven copies of letterhead memorandum suitable for dissemination containing additional developments this matter.

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NOTE:

Atlanta source advised James R. Venable, Chairman, National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., had formed a six-man "execution squad" to be known as "Secret 6." Function of group is to assassinate enemies of Klan. Atlanta has not reported any further developments concerning this group and as of July 6 no further action had been taken since the formation of the squad in April, 1964. Atlanta being requested to advise present status.

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Date: 7/29/64

Transmit the following in _____
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-156)

FROM : SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245) (P)
W. K. N. T. G. T. T. S. O. F. Y. A. E.

SUBJECT: KU KLUX KLAN
CINCINNATI, OHIO
RACIAL MATTERS

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Re Knoxville teletype to Director, dated 7/27/64, and Atlanta teletype to Director, dated 7/28/64.

Enclosed for investigative assistance of the Knoxville Office is one copy of LHM titled "KU KLUX KLAN".

For information of Knoxville, a copy of a photograph of a hooded KKK member, whose identity is unknown, was forwarded directly to the Chattanooga, Tennessee Resident Agency by RM under separate cover to meet 7/29/64 deadline.

Investigation at Cincinnati to date indicates strongly that the leader of any proposed KKK movement is in all probability one [redacted], whose residence is [redacted], Arlington Heights, Ohio, (a Cincinnati suburb.)

- 3 - Bureau
- 1 - Atlanta (157-60) (Info)
- 2 - Knoxville (157-117) (Enc. 1)
- 2 - Cincinnati (157-245)

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Until approximately 6/28/64, there was no indication of any organized KKK group operating in the Cincinnati, Ohio, area, as derived from sources in Cincinnati or other Field Division sources.

Cincinnati, at the present time, does not have informant coverage in the KKK who are in a position to furnish the requested information in above referenced Knoxville teletype. Intensive efforts, however, have been initiated to develop coverage and obtain identities of KKK members.

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1 - Mr. Freund

To: SAC, Cincinnati (157-245)

From: Director, FBI

KLAN ORGANIZATIONS
CINCINNATI, OHIO
RACIAL MATTERS

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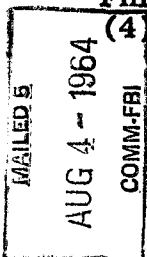
ReKXtel to Bureau dated 7/27/64, and Cincinnati airtel dated 7/29/64, captioned Ku Klux Klan, Cincinnati Racial Matters.

Immediately submit original and seven copies of letterhead memorandum suitable for dissemination containing pertinent information in re Atlanta airtel and Cincinnati airtel.

Also include additional information developed concerning this Klan organization.

Investigation should be conducted to identify the Klan organization, its officers and members, also to ascertain the aims and purposes and activities of the organization. This matter should be closely followed and the Bureau promptly and currently advised of pertinent developments.

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
(NKKK)

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A source advised that on May 22, 1960, the National Grand Council of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan met at Atlanta, Georgia, to discuss consolidation of the Klan's unity of effort and activities to establish a National Fund, and a National Secretary, and to design a new flag. The meeting was attended by representatives of the Federation of Ku Klux Klan, Alabama; Association of Arkansas Klans, Arkansas; Florida Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Florida; Southern Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Florida; Association of Georgia Klans, Georgia; Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, North Carolina; Association of South Carolina Klans, South Carolina; Dixie Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Tennessee; and Hyksos Klan, Texas.

This source advised that at a consolidation meeting at Atlanta, Georgia, September 2-5, 1960, at which the North Carolina and Texas Klans were not represented, it was resolved and passed that their name be changed to National Ku Klux Klan.

[redacted] source advised in March, 1964, that several meetings of Klan groups were held during the period 1960 to 1963 in an effort to unite the Klan groups under a single leadership.

The organization was granted a charter in DeKalb County, Georgia, November 1, 1963, under the name National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., as a "patriotic, secret, social, and benevolent order."

[redacted] source advised in December, 1963, that the organization had issued a statement of its program which indicated the organization to be anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic, and anti-Foreign born.

[redacted] source advised in August, 1964, that the organization has a headquarters in Tucker, Georgia, and the day-to-day operations are under the direction of JAMES R. VENABLE, Chairman.

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FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (157-60) (P)
SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU
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Re Buairtel, 8/5/64.

No information has been developed through Atlanta sources and informants concerning the "Secret 6" since the submission of Atlanta airtel 7/29/64.

Atlanta maintaining contact with sources and informants in effort to develop further information regarding this matter.

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 FROM ATLANTA 021605

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC. RM.

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 HIM REFLECTS THAT THERE IS A NEGRO MOVEMENT AFOOT IN THE
 ATLANTA AREA TO ATTEMPT TO BREAK UP THE KLAN RALLY WHICH WILL
 BE HELD THIS COMING SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, AT STONE MOUNTAIN.

DE KALB COUNTY POLICE, GEORGIA BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
 AND CIC ALERTED.

ATLANTA, THROUGH LIAISON WITH HARRIS, AND CONTACT WITH
 KLAN INFORMANTS, ENDEAVORING TO ASCERTAIN AUTHENTICITY OF THIS
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SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
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RACIAL MATTERS

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Re Atlanta airtel, 8/10/64.

No information has been developed through
Atlanta sources and informants concerning the "Secret 6"
since submission of referenced airtel.

Atlanta maintaining contact with sources and
informants in effort to develop further information
regarding this matter.

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 NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC. RM. *RACIAL MATTERS*

PUBLICITY BY CAPTIONED ORGANIZATION ADVERTISES RALLY
 AT STONE MOUNTAIN, GEORGIA, SEPTEMBER 5 AT 7:30 PM.
 LOCAL AUTHORITIES COGNIZANT AND ATLANTA HAS INFORMANTS
 ATTENDING. ARRANGEMENTS MADE FOR IMMEDIATE NOTIFICATION OF
 OFFICE IN EVENT OF ANY INCIDENTS. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED
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Information in attached Atlanta teletype furnished the Civil Rights Division of the Department 9/4/64.

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TO DIRECTOR/157-168, ATLANTA/157-60/, CINCINNATI/157-245/

JACKSON, KNOXVILLE AT, JA AND KN WILL BE ADVISED

FROM LOUISVILLE /157-224/

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KLAN ORGANIZATION, CINCINNATI DIVISION, RACIAL MATTERS.

RE CINCINNATI TEL TO BUREAU SEPT. THREE LAST AND LOUISVILLE
TEL TO CINCINNATI SEPT FOUR INSTANT.

AT APPROXIMATELY SEVEN FORTYFIVE A.M. TODAY, A WHITE MALE,
THIRTY TWO, FIVE FEET SEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SIXTY LBS.,
MUSCULAR BUILD, BROWN HAIR AND EYES, DARK COMPLEXION, DRIVING
SIXTYFOUR PONTIAC GRAND PRIX, COLOR DARK BLUE, SIXTYFOUR OHIO
LICENSE [REDACTED] APPEARED AT PAYLESS GAS STATION, U.S.
TWENTYFIVE, ONE HALF MILE SOUTH OF LEXINGTON, KY., WAS OVERHEARD
TO ASK ATTENDANT IF THERE WERE ANY OTHER GAS STATIONS IN AREA
WITH TWELVE PUMPS AND STATED WAS TO MEET THREE CARPOOL STATION
W1717 ~~TWO~~ TWELVE PUMPS. WHITE MALE WAS ADVISED NO OTHER SUCH STATION
NEARBY AND THEN MOVED PONTIAC TO REAR OF STATION LOT AND STOOD
AROUND WAITING.

AT APPROXIMATELY EIGHT ZERO FIVE A.M., A SIXTYTHREE PLYMOUTH
TWO DOOR, LIGHT TAN, BEARING BOONE COUNTY, KY., SIXTYFOUR LICENSE
[REDACTED] APPEARED OCCUPIED BY ONE WHITE MALE,

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SIX FEET ONE INCH, ONE HUNDRED FIFTY LBS., FORTY YEARS OF AGE, SLENDER, BLACK HAIR, MEDIUM COMPLEXION, WEARING WHITE SHIRT AND DARK TROUSERS. THIS MALE APPROACHED FIRST MALE AND ENGAGED IN CONVERSATION. SECOND MALE ADDRESSED FIRST MALE AS [REDACTED] PAREN PHONETIC END PAREN. IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER THERE APPEARED A SIXTY LIGHT GREEN FOUR DOOR CHEVROLET, SIXTYFOUR OHIO LICENSE

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[REDACTED] WITH AERIAL ON RIGHT REAR FENDER. CAR:

OCCUPIED BY TWO WHITE MALES AND TWO WHITE FEMALES. DRIVER DESCRIBED AS WM, FIVE FEET NINE INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTYFIVE LBS., THIRTYEIGHT, RUDDY COMPLEXION, WEARING WHITE SHIRT WITH TIE AND DARK PANTS. OTHER MALE DESCRIBED AS WM, AGE FORTYTWO, FIVE FEET ELEVEN INCHES, BROWN HAIR, BALDING, DARK COMPLETED, WEARING SUNGLASSES, GRAY SMALL CHECKED SPORTS SHIRT AND DARK TROUSERS. WOMEN DID NOT LEAVE CAR. MALES ENGAGED IN CONVERSATION WITH DRIVERS OF PONTIAC AND PLYMOUTH PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED. ONE ~~WIMPY WIRE~~ ~~XXXXXX~~ YELLOW DRESS, BOTH WEARING HEAD SCARVES. FUTHER DESCRIPTION NOT AVAILABLE.

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IMMEDIATELY THEREAFTER, CREAM COLORED FALCON FUTURA, SIXTYFOUR OHIO LICENSE [REDACTED] APPEARED OCCUPIED BY TWO WHITE MALES. DRIVER DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, AGE TWENTYEIGHT, FIVE FEET EIGHT INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SIXTY LBS., BROWN HAIR, WEARING PLAID

SPORTS SHIRT AND DARK TROUSERS. OTHER MALE WAS WM, AGE FORTYFIVE SIX FEET, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTYFIVE LBS., GRAY HAIR, WEARING GLASSES, GRAY BUTTON SWEATER AND DARK TROUSERS. THESE MALES ENGAGED IN CONVERSATION WITH EARLIER MALE ARRIVALS AND BETWEEN EIGHT TWENTY A.M. AND EIGHT TWENTYFIVE A.M., ALL DEPARTED SOUTH ON U.S. TWENTYFIVE TOWARD CORBIN, KY. NOT IN CONVOY AT TIME LEFT LEXINGTON. BOONE COUNTY LICENSE REGISTERED TO [REDACTED] [REDACTED] WALTON, KY.

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THE CINCINNATI OFFICE SHOULD DETERMINE REGISTRATION OF SIXTYFOUR PONTIAC, SIXTYFOUR OHIO LICENSE [REDACTED] AND SIXTY CHEVROLET, SIXTYFOUR OHIO LICENSE [REDACTED] IDENTIFY OWNERS AND ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY OCCUPANTS OF CARS.

LOUISVILLE AT WALTON, KY., WILL FURTHER IDENTIFY [REDACTED] AND
ST TEL BUREAU AND INTERESTED OFFICES.

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Enclosed to the Bureau are 8 copies of letterhead memorandum dated 9/9/64 containing information regarding a rally sponsored by captioned organization on 9/5/64 at Stone Mountain, Ga. One copy each is being forwarded to Birmingham, Cincinnati and Tampa for information purposes.

Informant furnishing information on 9/9/64 is

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
(NKKKK)

A characterization of the *National* Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is attached.

An advertisement appeared in the "Atlanta Constitution", an Atlanta, Georgia, newspaper, on September 3, 1964, inviting the public to attend a Ku Klux Klan rally to be held September 5, 1964, at 7:30 p.m. at Stone Mountain, Georgia.

On September 6, 1964, an article appeared in the "Atlanta Journal-Constitution", an Atlanta newspaper, indicating that 600 Ku Klux Klansmen gathered Saturday night (September 5, 1964) in a Stone Mountain field, burned a cross and were told by their leader, James Venable, Atlanta attorney, that the Klan now politically controls nine States of the Union.

Mr. Venable stressed that the Klan does not preach the use of violence except in self-defense and that "Our weapons are the boycott and the ballot". Regarding the acquittal on Friday, September 4, 1964, of two Klansmen charged with the murder of Negro Lemuel Penn near Athens, Georgia, Mr. Venable said, "You'll never be able to convict a white man that killed a Nigger what encroaches on the white race of the South."

A Louisiana spokesman estimated that the Klan now has more than 10,000 members in his State. Another Klansman, from Ohio, predicted that in five years his State will

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have doubled the number it had in the 1940's, some 45,000.

^{AN}~~THE~~ informant advised on September 9, 1964, that he attended the rally held on September 5, 1964, and that 26 States were represented. He said that many of the 20 speakers advocated resorting to whatever means and methods are necessary for the preserving of white supremacy.

Informant said that he saw one group of six men arrive in an automobile and believed that they were all armed. During the rally, which was held in a field, someone in the crowd mentioned there was a Negro on the road near the rally and this group of men left. Informant added, however, that this report was false and that no incidents developed during the rally.

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(NKKKK)

A source advised that on May 22, 1960, the National Grand Council of the Knights of the Ku Klux Klan met at Atlanta, Georgia, to discuss consolidation of the Klan's unity of effort and activities to establish a National Fund, and a National Secretary, and to design a new flag. The meeting was attended by representatives of the Federation of Ku Klux Klan, Alabama; Association of Arkansas Klans, Arkansas; Florida Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Florida; Southern Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Florida; Association of Georgia Klans, Georgia; Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, North Carolina; Association of South Carolina Klans, South Carolina; Dixie Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Tennessee; and Hyksos Klan, Texas.

This source advised that at a consolidation meeting at Atlanta, Georgia, September 2-5, 1960, at which the North Carolina and Texas Klans were not represented, it was resolved and passed that their name be changed to National Ku Klux Klan.

[redacted] source advised in March, 1964, that several meetings of Klan groups were held during the period 1960 to 1963 in an effort to unite the Klan groups under a single leadership.

The organization was granted a charter in DeKalb County, Georgia, November 1, 1963, under the name National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., as a "patriotic, secret, social, and benevolent order."

[redacted] source advised in December, 1963, that the organization had issued a statement of its program which indicated the organization to be anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic, and anti-Foreign born.

[redacted] source advised in March, 1964, that the organization had established a headquarters in Tucker, Georgia, and the day-to-day operations are under the direction of JAMES R. VENABLE, Chairman. [redacted]

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Title NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
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Character

Reference Letterhead memorandum of
 SA [redacted] dated
 September 9, 1964, Atlanta,
 Georgia, captioned as above.

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1133 URGENT 9-4-64 TCM
TO DIRECTOR AND ATLANTA
FROM JACKSON /157-565/ 2P

IN THE KNIGHT OF
THE KUKLUX KLAN

KLAN ORGANIZATION, CINCINNATI DIVISION. RM.

RE CINCINNATI TEL TO BUREAU, SEPT. THREE SIXTYFOUR.

CONTACT WITH RACIAL SOURCES AND INFORMANTS, JACKSON DIVISION
TODAY REFLECTS ONE INFORMANT AT HATTIESBURG, MISS. WHO REPORTED
THAT [REDACTED] TRUE NAME [REDACTED] STATE KLAN

[REDACTED] AND THREE OTHER UNIDENTIFIED WHITE MEN WERE AT HATTIESBURG,
MISS., TODAY FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONTACTING TWENTYFIVE DIFFERENT
PEOPLE ABOUT GOING ON A TWO DAY TRIP. INFORMANT DOES NOT KNOW
RESULTS OF [REDACTED] CONTACTS AT HATTIESBURG, BUT DOES NOT BELIEVE
CONTACTS VERY SUCCESSFUL. INFORMANT NOT AWARE OF IDENTITY OF
PERSONS CONTACTED. [REDACTED] TRAVELING IN SIXTYFOUR JET LINER
OLDSMOBILE WITH NO LICENSE TAG AND COLOR NOT GIVEN.

INFORMANT WAS OF OPINION [REDACTED] MAY BE HEADED FOR KLAN
MEETING IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA AREA. [REDACTED] MENTIONED TO SOME OF THOSE
CONTACTED THAT THEY WOULD TRAVEL FIVE MEN TO A CAR ON THIS TRIP.

CONTACT OF OTHER INFORMANTS FAILS TO DETERMINE WHETHER [REDACTED]
ACTUALLY LEFT MISSISSIPPI FOR GEORGIA TODAY.

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[REDACTED] DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, BORN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] LA., HAIR LIGHT BROWN TO BLOND, COARSE, HEIGHT

SIX FEET, WEIGHT, ONE SIXTYFIVE, BUILD ERECT. EYES, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SMALL EARS [REDACTED]

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BUREAU AND ATLANTA WILL BE FURTHER ADVISED IF ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION DEVELOPED, AS SOME SOURCES NOT YET AVAILABLE FOR CONTACT.

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TO DIRECTOR(157-168), ATLANTA(157-60), KNOXVILLE, JACKSON AND
LOUISVILLE.

FROM CINCINNATI (157-245) 3P

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KLAN ORGANIZATION, CINCINNATI DIVISION, RACIAL MATTERS.

RE CINCINNATI AIRTEL TO ATLANTA SEPTEMBER ONE LAST.

SOURCE AT COLUMBUS, OHIO ADVISED FIVE THIRTY PM INSTANT DATE
DELEGATION DEPARTING COLUMBUS FOUR AM SEPTEMBER FOUR NEXT TO STONE
MOUNTAIN, GEORGIA FOR KKK INDOCTRINATION SAME DATE. COLUMBUS
DELEGATION AS FOLLOWS; [REDACTED] RIVING
NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE FALCON FUTURA, SIXTYFOUR OHIO LICENSE [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

AND UNKNOWN COMPANION DRIVING NINETEEN SIXTY CHEVROLET, LIGHT GREEN.

[REDACTED] AND UNKNOWN COMPANION DRIVING NINETEEN
SIXTYCHEVROLET TUTONE. ITINERARY AS FOLLOWS;

DEPART COLUMBUS FOUR AM SEPTEMBER FOUR NEXT. MEET CINCINNATI
OHIO DELEGATION OF [REDACTED] PERSONS SIX AM AT RICHWOOD EXIT
OF IR SEVENTYFIVE. FOLLOW ROUTE TWENTYFIVE SOUTH TO LEXINGTON,
KENTUCKY TO MEET DELEGATION OF [REDACTED] PERSONS AND OTHERS AT A
TWELVE PUMP CUT-RATE GAS STATION AT INTERCHANGE SOUTH OF LEXINGTON

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DEPART ABOVE SEVEN FIFTYFIVE AM VIA U.S. TWENTYFIVE TO CORBIN, KENTUCKY, THEN U.S. TWENTYFIVE WEST TO KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, ETA TWELVE NOON, WHERE GROUP WILL REFUEL AND EAT AT UNDETERMINED LOCATION. CARAVAN WILL TURN RIGHT ON BROADWAY AND RIGHT ON WEST CUMBERLAND, KNOXVILLE TO U.S. ELEVEN AND IR SEVENTY. FOLLOW U.S. ELEVEN TO CLEVELAND, TENNESSEE AND REFUEL. FOLLOW TENNESSEE SIXTY AND GEORGIA SEVENTYONE TO DALTON, GEORGIA, THEN GEORGIA ROUTE FORTYONE VIA ATLANTA AND FOLLOW IR SEVENTYFIVE AND GEORGIA SEVENTYEIGHT TO STONE MOUNTAIN.

OTHER DELEGATIONS WILL JOIN AT STONE MOUNTAIN, GEORGIA AND CONTINUE TO TUCKER, GEORGIA, ETA SIX PM.

LARGE DELEGATION FROM MISSISSIPPI EXPECTED TO ATTEND.

SOURCE ADVISES ASSEMBLY HALL, TUCKER, ACCOMMODATES ONLY SEVENTYFIVE PERSONS SO KLAN EXPECTED TO QUOTE TAKE TO WILDERNESS UNQUOTE DUE TO NUMBER EXPECTED.

PUBLIC CROSS BURNING SCHEDULED SATURDAY SEPTEMBER FIVE NEXT IN PM.

LOUISVILLE AT LEXINGTON COVER RENDEZVOUS AT GAS STATION OBTAIN LICENSE DATA, CAR DESCRIPTIONS AND ANY OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE AND SUTEL.

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CINCINNATI WILL COVER RENDEZVOUS WITH CINCINNATI GROUP.

ATLANTA, JACKSON, AND KNOXVILLE ALERT SOURCES AND AFFORD
APPROPRIATE COVERAGE.

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TO DIRECTOR /157-168/

ATLANTA /157-60/

FROM LOUISVILLE /157-224/

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KLAN ORGANIZATIONS, CINCINNATI DIVISION DASH RACIAL
MATTERS.

RE CINCINNATI TEL TO BUREAU SEPTEMBER THREE LAST AND
LOUISVILLE TEL TO BUREAU INSTANT DATE.

INVESTIGATION TO DATE REFLECTS [REDACTED] IS WHITE
MALE, APPROX. SIX FT., SLIM BUILD [REDACTED] DASH

[REDACTED] YEARS, DARK COMPLEXION, REPORTEDLY ASSOCIATED WITH
NATIONAL STATES RIGHTS PARTY PAREN NSRP PAREN. NO
INDICATION HE ADVOCATES VIOLENCE OR IS MEMBER OF ANY KLAN
ORGANIZATION TO DATE.

NINETEEN SIXTY THREE PLYMOUTH, SIXTYFOUR KENTUCKY
LICENSE [REDACTED] IS REGISTERED TO
[REDACTED] TIME RESIDENT OF WALTON, KENTUCKY. IS
EMPLOYED AT [REDACTED], CINCINNATI, OHIO.

INVESTIGATION CONTINUING.

CINCINNATI, JACKSONVILLE, AND KNOXVILLE ADVISED AM.

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 FROM: SAC, JACKSON (157-565) (RUC)

KLAN ORGANIZATIONS
 CINCINNATI DIVISION
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ReCiteletype to Bureau, dated 9/3/64; and New Orleans teletype to Bureau, dated 9/4/64.

Information previously furnished to Bureau and Atlanta in referenced New Orleans teletype, dated 9/4/64, was furnished to [redacted] who was contacted by SA [redacted] on 9/4/64. Subsequent contact with [redacted] fails to reflect any additional information regarding possible Klan members in Mississippi who attended meeting in Georgia on weekend of 9/4 - 6/64.

Contact with all other logical informants in the Jackson Division failed to reflect any information relative to Klan members or leaders going to the State of Georgia during above weekend for Klan meeting.

No further investigation in this matter being conducted by the Jackson Division.

ATLANTA DIVISION

If any Klan members from Mississippi identified at above mentioned Klan meeting in Georgia, Jackson Office should be advised.

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From: SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245)

Subject: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
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Enclosed are eight copies of a letterhead memorandum.

Source mentioned in Letterhead Memorandum is
 in a Columbus Ohio Police Intelligence Unit.b6
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RE: KU KLUX KLAN
RACIAL MATTERS

A source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on September 3, 1964, that an individual named [redacted] Columbus, Ohio, who is allegedly on parole from San Quentin Prison in California, for robbery, is currently interested in KKK activities. Source advised that [redacted] has been heard to say that he wonders if dynamite could be obtained for the purpose of blowing up Negro places. Source was unable to furnish any additional information regarding the above. He stated that [redacted] at the rear of his address, which may be used as a local klavern.

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(Priority)TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)
FROM: SAC, TAMPA (157-72) (RUC)

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

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Enclosed for the Bureau are 8 copies of an LHM captioned as above with one copy being furnished Atlanta as Office of Origin, and 2 copies being furnished Jacksonville for information concerning [redacted] United Florida Ku Klux Klan (UFKKK), and the UFKKK inasmuch as Jacksonville is Office of Origin in both of these cases.

Sources furnishing information in attached LHM are [redacted] who furnished information to SA [redacted] and SA [redacted] respectively.

- 3 - Bureau (Enc. 8) (RM)
- 1 - Atlanta (Enc. 1) (RM) (157-60) (Info)
- 2 - Jacksonville (Enc. 2) (RM)
- 1 - 157- [redacted] (UFKKK)
- 1 - 157- [redacted]
- 3 - Tampa [redacted]

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Tampa, Florida
September 14, 1964

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKKK)

Characterization of the NKKKK
appears in the appendix attached
hereto.

On September 6 and on September 8, 1964, respectively, [] sources advised that on September 5, 1964 a public rally sponsored by the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. was held on the property of JAMES R. VENABLE at the foot of Stone Mountain, Georgia, beginning at 8:00 p.m. and concluding at approximately 11:30 p.m. A 25-foot cross was set afire at the beginning of the rally, and the opening speaker was JAMES VENABLE.

VENABLE indicated that the Klan does not endorse any man for President of the United States, but that with the men who are candidates he personally could not see voting for LYNDON B. JOHNSON. VENABLE also indicated that he could not tell people to disobey the new Civil Rights Law but that any person could see it was wrong, and that something should be done about it.

[] source indicated that VENABLE related that 19 state klan organizations were represented at the rally, and that the first two robed, unidentified speakers claimed they represented klan organizations in Florida and Ohio.

The theme of all of the speeches was the growth of the klan and the need to preserve white supremacy.

[] sources were of the opinion that approximately 350-400 robed klansmen were in attendance and both indicated that one of the robed, unidentified speakers was a lady who claimed to represent the klan organization in Florida.

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[redacted] source stated that numerous of the robed klansmen were armed with revolvers, and at least 100 of the robed klansmen were observed carrying clubs of various types.

[redacted] sources stated that numerous of the members of the United Florida Ku Klux Klan, including the [redacted] [redacted] were in attendance.

Characterization of the United Florida Ku Klux Klan appears in the appendix attached hereto.

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Tampa, Florida
September 14, 1964

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Title NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
 KU KLUX KLAN, INC. (NKKKK)

Character

Reference Letterhead memorandum of
 SA [redacted] dated
 September 14, 1964, Tampa,
 Florida, captioned as above.

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All sources (except any listed below) whose identities
are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable
information in the past.

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Date: September 9, 1964

Transmit the following in AIRTEL
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(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, LOUISVILLE (157-224) (P)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL RENAISSANCE PARTY
KLAN ORGANIZATIONS
CINCINNATI DIVISION
RACIAL MATTERSALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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Reference Louisville teletypes to Director, dated September 4, 1964.

On September 4, 1964, [redacted] County Clerk's Office, Boone County, Kentucky, advised that 1964 Boone County License [redacted] was issued to [redacted] Walton, Kentucky, for a 1963 Plymouth Savoy, two-door.

On the same date, Sheriff MELVIN COLLINS, Boone County, Kentucky, advised that the files of his department contain no record of a [redacted] OHIO
PERN APPR 15-1964-1101

On September 4, 1964, [redacted] Walton, Kentucky, advised that [redacted] is a long time resident of Walton, Kentucky, area, and that he presently resides near [redacted]

[redacted] describe [redacted] as a white, male, approximately 6' tall, slim build, [redacted] years of age, dark complexion. [redacted] added that he has always considered [redacted] be a quiet individual.

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- 2 - Cincinnati (157-245)
- 1 - Atlanta (Info)
- 1 - Jackson (Info)
- 1 - Knoxville (Info)
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[redacted] further advised that he believes [redacted] works at the [redacted] in Cincinnati, Ohio, as a [redacted]

SH10 [redacted] are also employed in this same position. [redacted] continued that in the past he has noticed stickers on [redacted] car advocating voting for the National States Rights Party (NSRP) and that [redacted] has currently received or has in the past received a paper entitled Thunderbolt which he, Mr. [redacted] believes is a publication of the NSRP. [redacted] further advised that [redacted] also has received literature with a return address of the White Sentinel, Post Office Box 9013, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, and Farm and Ranch Publishing Company, Post Office Box 1230, 3318 Murfreesboro Road, Nashville, Tennessee. [redacted] advised that when the package from the Farm and Ranch Publishing Company was opened for postal inspection, enclosed was a book entitled A Choice Not An Echo by PHYLLIS SCHLAFLY printed by the Pere Marquette Press, Post Office Box 316, Alton, Illinois.

[redacted] further advised that in the past, [redacted] has mailed out a great deal of literature and that in one instance, a [redacted] Crittenden came to the post office and complained about the nature of this literature in that it was mainly anti-Negro and that he, Mr. [redacted] did not wish to receive this type of mail in the future.

On September 8, 1964, [redacted] Kentucky State Police, Dry Ridge, Kentucky, and [redacted] Kentucky State Police, Dry Ridge, advised that they do not know [redacted] and that there is no record of him in their files.

On September 8, 1964, [redacted] Northern Kentucky Credit Bureau, Covington, Kentucky, advised the records of that bureau indicate that [redacted] of [redacted], Kentucky, had been on file with the Bureau since 1953. Their records indicate that [redacted] is employed at the [redacted] since [redacted] [redacted] further advised that [redacted] were rated either satisfactory or slow as to their credit.

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CINCINNATI DIVISION:

AT CINCINNATI, OHIO:

At Cincinnati Union Terminal, determine exact employment of [] Check indices and contact logical sources for information concerning []

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Date: 9-22-64

Transmit the following in _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (105-469)ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 8-19-88 BY SP-8

INFORMATION REGARDING THE POSSIBLE ORGANIZATION
OF KU KLUX KLAN ORGANIZATIONS IN THE STATES OF
ARIZONA, CALIFORNIA, MICHIGAN, AND OHIO
RACIAL MATTERS

The following information is being furnished to all
offices concerned, in connection with the investigation and
control of racial matters and organizations in their respective
divisions.

[redacted] advised on 9-21-64, that a State Meeting
of the Association of South Carolina Klans (ASCK) was held
9-20-64, at the usual meeting place, West Columbia, S. C.
There were 35 Klansmen present at the meeting representing
the various Klaverns throughout the State.

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- 2 - Atlanta (157-60) (RM)
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- 2 - Cleveland (RM)
- 2 - Detroit (RM)
- 2 - Los Angeles (RM)
- 2 - Phoenix (RM)
- 2 - San Diego (RM)
- 2 - San Francisco (RM)
- 2 - Savannah (1 - 157-210) (1 - 157-297) (RM)
- 4 - Charlotte (2 - 105-469)

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ASCK [] advised the group that he recently attended a meeting of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in Stone Mountain, Ga. He said that the meeting was successful and that a great development had taken place at the meeting of the National Council. He noted that there appeared before the National Council groups of delegates from the states of Calif., Mich., Ariz., and Ohio. The impression was obtained that these people did not belong to any Klan group or Klavern, but were there for the purpose of learning how to organize and set up a Klan organization on a state level. [] advised that Ohio had the largest representation there. [] also stated that these people made it plain that they were worried about the Negro situation in the U. S. One of the spokesmen remarked that his group was of the belief that after the national presidential election in Nov. 1964, if LYNDON JOHNSON is elected, the Negroes will go into the streets again like N. Y., Rochester, and Philadelphia and continue rioting and that the Administration will do nothing about it, and they want to get ready for that day. According to [] the representative from Mich. indicated that Detroit is seething now and expects the Negro to go all out when the elections are over.

In conclusion, [] made no mention of the role of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in regard to the organization of Klan organizations and Klaverns in the several mentioned states. It is presumed, however, that some degree of assistance has been offered.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)
FROM: SAC, CHARLOTTE (105-469)

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INFORMATION REGARDING THE POSSIBLE
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ORGANIZATIONS IN THE STATES OF
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RACIAL MATTERS

Re Charlotte airtel to Bureau 9/22/64, and Bureau
airtel to Charlotte 9/28/64.

There are enclosed for the Bureau 8 copies and
for each listed office 2 copies of a letterhead memorandum
setting out the information originally included in Charlotte
airtel of 9/22/64.

[redacted] source is [redacted] who furnished his
information on 9/21/64 to SA [redacted]

The letterhead memorandum also includes information
received on 9/23/64 from [redacted] source, who is [redacted]
and who furnished his information to SA [redacted]

No local dissemination of this letterhead
memorandum is being made by Charlotte.

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- 2 - Phoenix (Enc. 2) (RM)
- 2 - San Diego (Enc. 2) (RM)
- 2 - San Francisco (Enc. 2) (RM)
- 2 - Savannah (1 - 157-210) (1 - 157-29) (Enc. 2) (RM)
- 3 - Charlotte (2 - 105-469) (1 - 157-193)

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It will be noted that the information herein is second hand, inasmuch as it consists of statements which the informants report were made by [redacted] concerning a meeting at which the informants were not present. Charlotte did not have any informants at the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan meeting at Stone Mountain when the delegates from the states allegedly were present. If Atlanta has any information confirming, amplifying, or altering the information set out in the enclosed letterhead memorandum, it is recommended Atlanta submit letterhead memorandum covering that information.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Charlotte, North Carolina
October 2, 1964

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 8-19-88 BY SP847/6at

RE: INFORMATION REGARDING THE POSSIBLE
ORGANIZATION OF KU KLUX KLAN
ORGANIZATIONS IN THE STATES OF
ARIZONA, CALIFORNIA, MICHIGAN AND OHIO
RACIAL MATTERS

On September 21, 1964, a source stated that a state meeting of the Association of South Carolina Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, (ASCK), was held on September 20, 1964, at West Columbia, South Carolina. Klansmen were there from various Klaverns throughout the state of South Carolina.

At this meeting, ASCK [redacted] of Columbia, South Carolina, talked about the meeting of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan which had been held on September 5 and 6 at Stone Mountain, Georgia. [redacted] said that at the meeting of the National Council of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan there had been present delegates from the states of California, Michigan, Arizona and Ohio. The source obtained from [redacted] the impression that these people did not belong to any present Klan organization, but were there for the purpose of learning how to set up a Klan organization on a state level in their various states. [redacted] made the statement that Ohio had the largest representation there.

According to this source, [redacted] also stated that these people indicated they were worried about the Negro situation in the United States. One of the spokesmen, according to [redacted] remarked that his group was of the opinion that following the national Presidential election in November 1964, if LYNDON JOHNSON is elected, the Negroes will go into the streets and riot as they have done recently in New York City, Rochester, New York, and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and this spokesman indicated he fears the national administration will not do anything about it.

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RE: INFORMATION REGARDING THE POSSIBLE
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According to [] a representative from Michigan indicated the city of Detroit is seething now and he expects the Negroes to "go all out" when the elections are over.

The source stated that [] did not make any mention of the role of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in regard to the formation of Klan organizations in the states above mentioned, but the source presumes that some degree of assistance has been offered.

On September 23, 1964, [] source also advised that at state meeting of ASCK on September 20, [] told about the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan meeting in Stone Mountain in early September. According to this source, [] said that at this meeting at Stone Mountain there had been representatives from Ohio and Michigan, and that they are trying to organize "the Klan" in those states. This source did not have any additional details about this matter.

Characterizations of the Association of South Carolina Klans and National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan are attached to this memorandum.

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APPENDIX

ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH CAROLINA KLANS
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (ASCK)

A source advised on September 24, 1956, that the Association of South Carolina Klans (ASCK) was organized in the Fall of 1955 and is patterned after the Association of Carolina Klans (ACK). This source said ASCK is a new organization and not a rebirth of ACK, although all high-ranking officials of ASCK had been members of ACK. The source stated announced purposes of this organization are to promote white supremacy and combat integration of the races; however, the use of violence is disavowed.

[] source advised on September 2, 1950, that ACK was composed of groups formerly members of the Association of Georgia Klans (AGK) and although ACK severed all connections with AGK on November 14, 1949, the ideals, purposes and policies of the two organizations remained identical. ACK became defunct after conviction and imprisonment of its highest official and other members in 1952.

[] source advised on April 16, 1962, that ASCK continues to operate for the purpose of promoting white supremacy and combating integration by peaceful means by public speaking and propaganda.

[] source said that ASCK, using the name Majority Citizens League of South Carolina, published a monthly newspaper, "Southland Standard," from August through December, 1961, and dropped it due to lack of financial support.

AGK has been designated by the Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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To: SAC, Charlotte (105-469)

From: Director, FBI (157-168) - 301

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ReCEairtel 9-22-64.

Immediately submit original and seven copies of
letterhead memorandum suitable for dissemination containing
pertinent information set forth in reCEairtel.

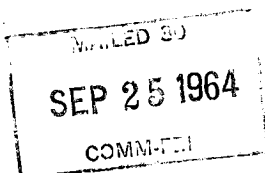
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NOTE:

Charlotte by re airtel advised of information furnished
by informant concerning meeting of Association of South Carolina
Klans held in West Columbia, South Carolina, September 20, 1964. b6
At this meeting [redacted] set forth his opinion b7C
and discussed the recent meeting of the National Knights of the
Ku Klux Klan at Stone Mountain, Georgia. Charlotte being requested
to submit letterhead memorandum so that appropriate dissemination
can be made of this information.

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Charlotte, North Carolina

October 2, 1964

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Character RACIAL MATTERS

Reference Memorandum at Charlotte, North
Carolina, dated October 2, 1964,
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM : SAC, SAVANNAH (157-210)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, aka
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DATE 8-12-88 BY SP-10 JLB

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are the original and seven copies of a letterhead memorandum, and for other offices listed two copies each, relating to the National Klan Day Rally at Stone Mountain, Ga., on 9/5/64, and the national meeting of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan at Tucker, Ga., on 9/6/64.

[redacted] confidential source mentioned in the letterhead memorandum [redacted] contacted by SA [redacted] on 9/16/64.

[redacted] confidential source mentioned in the letterhead memorandum [redacted] contacted by SA [redacted] on 9/12/64.

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2 - Miami (Encls. 2) (RM)
2 - New Orleans (157-188) (Encls. 2) (RM)
2 - Tampa (157-72) (Encls. 2) (RM)
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Savannah, Georgia
October 6, 1964

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DATE 8-19-88 BY SP8WJ/616

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN

A confidential source advised on September 16, 1964, that a National Klan Day Rally, sponsored by the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, a characterization of which is attached hereto, was held on September 5, 1964, in a cow pasture owned by James R. Venable, Atlanta, Ga., Imperial Wizard of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, at the foot of Stone Mountain, Stone Mountain, Ga.

The rally started about 8:15 PM with the burning of a cross about 12 feet high. A prayer was offered to open the rally by an individual believed to be [redacted] of Atlanta, Ga.

GA CHARLES W. WADSWORTH
After the prayer this individual gave a short talk, followed by speeches by [redacted] Association of Georgia Klans, a characterization of which is attached hereto; JAMES R. VENABLE, Imperial Wizard, National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan; [redacted] United Florida Ku Klux Klan, a characterization of which is attached hereto; an unidentified individual from the Christian Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, a characterization of which is attached hereto, and one other unidentified speaker.

All of the talks were similar in nature, relating to segregation and integration generally, criticism of President

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Johnson, the Kennedy family, the Communists in the Negro movement, the Civil Rights Act, 1964, and favoring directly or indirectly the election of Barry Goldwater for President of the United States.

This source said there were about 600 people at the rally with a lot of traffic moving and out during the entire rally. The rally ended about 10:00 PM.

This source advised that a national meeting of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan was held at the National Headquarters at Tucker, Ga., on September 6, 1964, starting with breakfast at 8:00 AM.

Breakfast was followed by a roll call of delegates, at which time it was announced there were two delegates from Ohio. A discussion rose as to what Klan or what group they represented.

James R. Venable then announced to the group for the first time that he had incorporated the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan and that it had been incorporated since June, 1952. (It has been known or suspected by most of the delegates that the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan had been incorporated in Atlanta in 1962 without the consent or knowledge of the delegates.) Venable stated that the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., is being operated as a separate Klan, the same as the other Klans enjoying membership in the national group. He explained the national group is the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan Association.

The two Ohio delegates were then admitted by the group as delegates of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc.

The roll call revealed the following delegates were in attendance at the national meeting:

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

United Florida Ku Klux Klan

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[Redacted]

Association of South Carolina Klans

[Redacted]

Dixie Klans

[Redacted]

Association of Georgia Klans

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Ark-La-Tex Klans

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Federated Klans

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National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc.

James R. Venable, Imperial Wizard.

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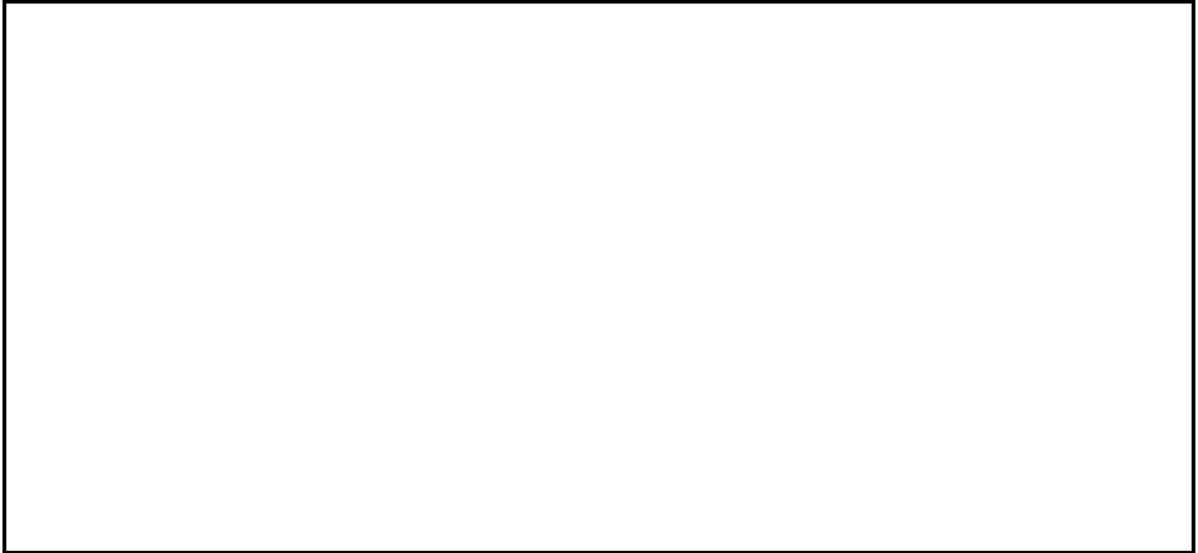
Venable said the "Atlanta Times", a daily newspaper published in Atlanta, Ga., would not accept a paid advertisement for the rally at Stone Mountain on September 5, 1964, but the "Atlanta Journal and Constitution" did accept the ad.

It was announced that the total expenses of the National Klan Day Rally on September 5, 1964, was \$208.40. This amount was paid to Venable out of the treasury. The balance left in the treasury after collecting the dues and paying out the \$208.40 was \$95.44.

The following officers of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan were elected to serve for a period of one year effective this date:

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

James R. Venable, Chairman.



The new password is "Look up and grow".

A motion was made by [redacted] and passed that each Klan have three delegates to the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan Association, not including the chairman and secretary of the Association.

There was a discussion concerning the United Klans of America, Inc.; a characterization of which is attached hereto, and it was generally agreed this organization had set their national meeting date at Tuscaloosa, Ala., on September 5-6, 1964, to keep their members from attending the National Klan Day Rally at Stone Mountain, Ga. During the discussion it was pointed out that whenever one of the member Klans of the National Association had a rally and advertised it, the United Klans of America would put an ad in the paper stating the United Klans was not having a rally.

On a motion from the floor, a committee was appointed composed of James R. Venable, [redacted] to see [redacted], United Klans of America, Inc., to ask him why he was trying to run down the members of the national association, and to tell him the United Klans of

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America, Inc., would no longer be permitted to be affiliated with the national association. The committee will also put an ad in the newspaper that the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan Association is not affiliated with Robert Shelton, Calvin Craig, or the United Klans of America, Inc.

GA [redacted] also suggested that [redacted] and the Christian Knights of the Ku Klux Klan be included in the ad along with United Klans of America, Inc. This suggestion also was approved.

The meeting closed at 12:15 PM with a [redacted]
[redacted]

[redacted] source advised on September 12, 1964, that [redacted] members of the Association of South Carolina Klans, a characterization of which is attached hereto, attended the national meeting of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan on September 5-6, 1964, at Stone Mountain and Tucker, Ga.

This source advised three other members of the Association of South Carolina Klans attended the public rally at Stone Mountain, Ga., on September 5, 1964, and returned to Columbia, S. C., after this meeting.

This source further advised that [redacted] of the United Florida Ku Klux Klan was there and that 42 ladies from Ohio were at the public rally.

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APPENDIXNATIONAL KU KLUX KLAN,
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (NKKK)

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This source advised that at a consolidation meeting at Atlanta, Georgia, on September 2-5, 1960, at which the North Carolina and Texas Klans were not represented, it was resolved and passed that their name be changed to National Ku Klux Klan.

This source also advised that at a consolidation meeting at Savannah, Georgia, October 23, 1960, it was resolved and passed that in any future meetings of this group the name "Majority Citizens League" was to be used.

[] source advised that at a national klonklave meeting at Texarkana, Texas, on February 11-12, 1961, a motion was carried that there were to be at least six national meetings a year to be held any time from one week to twelve weeks after the last meeting. The time and meeting place were to be decided by the newly elected chairman. [] source also advised that at each meeting a new chairman and acting secretary were to be elected to serve at the next meeting. A national secretary had not been appointed.

[] source advised that at a national meeting on November 11-12, 1961, United Klans of America, Inc. (UK) was invited to meet with NKKK and it was agreed that they would meet together, but there was no talk of consolidation.

[] source further advised that as of the national meeting on May 5-6, 1962, no national fund, headquarters

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APPENDIXASSOCIATION OF GEORGIA KLANS (AGK)
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

A source advised on January 11, 1961, that the AGK, KKKK, was organized by [redacted] in the Spring of 1960, with mailing address of [redacted] Bloomingdale, Georgia. This source stated that AGK, KKKK, is a new organization and is not affiliated in any way with the old Association of Georgia Klans which is defunct. It is patterned after the U. S. Klans, has the same general ritual and has the same titles for its klavern officers. Most officers and members are former members of the U. S. Klans. The announced purposes of this organization are to promote white supremacy and to fight integration and Communism by peaceful means, and it is opposed to any type of violence. This source said AGK, KKKK, is affiliated with the National Ku Klux Klan.

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The same source advised on May 9, 1962, that this klan group continues to operate with the same aims and purposes and is localized in the area of Bloomingdale and Savannah, Georgia. It continues to be affiliated with the National Ku Klux Klan.

CHRISTIAN KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (CKKKK)

A source advised on December 17, 1959, that [redacted] Louisville, Kentucky, was rented by [redacted] in July, 1959, for the CKKKK. The source stated that as of December 17, 1959, [redacted] was still being held by [redacted]

[redacted] source advised on November 23, 1959, that [redacted] stated that he started the CKKKK in Louisville, Kentucky, with people who were in bad financial condition; however, he felt that after the organization's activity became known, it would attract a higher class of individuals. He indicated at that time an interest in securing more members in the Louisville area.

The same source advised that in May, 1960, the first edition of the "Klan Bulletin" appeared. The source described the "Klan Bulletin" as the official publication of the CKKKK.

The June issue of the "Klan Bulletin" disclosed the address of the CKKKK as Post Office Box 48, Atlanta, Georgia.

[redacted] source advised on January 25, 1961, that the CKKKK was a functioning organization in Atlanta, Georgia, that meetings were held and literature distributed.

[redacted] source advised on June 7, 1961, that the CKKKK was a paper organization and inactive. The source added Stoner collects some dues and uses this money for his personal benefit.

The same source advised on May 14, 1962, that the CKKKK was no longer functioning due to J. B. Stoner's being occupied as an attorney for racists in various southern cities.

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APPENDIXUNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC.
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (UK)

Records of Superior Court of Fulton County, Georgia, show that this Klan organization was granted a corporate charter on February 21, 1961, at Atlanta, Georgia, under the name United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc.

A source advised on February 27, 1961, that United Klans was formed as a result of a split in U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. According to the source, the split resulted from a leadership dispute and United Klans has the same aims and objectives as the parent group. These are the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy and segregation of the races.

[redacted] source [redacted] source advised in July, 1961, that United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc., merged with Alabama Knights, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. The merged organization established headquarters in Suite 401, The Alston Building, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. The organization is [redacted] [redacted] and is the dominant Klan group in the South with units in several southern states.

On August 14, 1961, [redacted] source advised that the organization formerly known as United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc., would be known in the future as United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. [redacted] source said the name was changed by a resolution adopted at the National Klonvocation held July 8, 1961, at Indian Springs, Georgia.

[redacted] source advised that at a meeting at Prattville, Alabama, on October 22, 1961, a majority of the Klaverns of the U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, merged with the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

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ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH CAROLINA KLANS
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (ASCK)

A source advised on September 24, 1956, that the Association of South Carolina Klans (ASCK) was organized in the Fall of 1955 and is patterned after the Association of Carolina Klans (ACK). This source said ASCK is a new organization and not a rebirth of ACK, although all high-ranking officials of ASCK had been members of ACK. The source stated announced purposes of this organization are to promote white supremacy and combat integration of the races; however, the use of violence is disavowed.

[] source advised on September 2, 1950, that ACK was composed of groups formerly members of the Association of Georgia Klans (AGK) and although ACK severed all connections with AGK on November 14, 1949, the ideals, purposes and policies of the two organizations remained identical. ACK became defunct after conviction and imprisonment of its highest official and other members in 1952.

[] source advised on September 16, 1962, that ASCK continues to operate for the purpose of promoting white supremacy and combating integration by peaceful means by public speaking and propaganda.

[] source said that ASCK, using the name Majority Citizens League of South Carolina, published a monthly newspaper, "Southland Standard," from August through December, 1961, and dropped it due to lack of financial support.

AGK has been designated by the Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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Savannah, Georgia
October 6, 1964

Title NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
 KU KLUX KLAN

Character RACIAL MATTERS

Reference Letterhead Memorandum dated
 10/6/64, captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM : *WBS.* SAC, PHOENIX (157-81) (RUC)

SUBJECT: INFORMATION REGARDING THE POSSIBLE ORGANIZATION OF KU KLUX KLAN ORGANIZATIONS IN THE STATES OF ARIZONA, CALIFORNIA, MICHIGAN, AND OHIO

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RACIAL MATTERS

Re Charlotte airtels to Bureau dated 9/22/64 and 10/2/64.

No information has been received by the Phoenix Office from any source which would tend to verify the reported presence of Arizona delegates at a Klan Meeting in Georgia or elsewhere. When and if any specifics as to the number and identities of such persons from Arizona are obtained through Charlotte and Atlanta informants or sources, it is requested that Phoenix be advised promptly.

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Enclosed are eight copies of a letterhead memorandum. Two copies have been designated for U. S. Secret Service, Columbus, Ohio.

It has now been established that the Ohio KKK is operating under captioned name. Enclosed LHM identifies this Klan with National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., of Georgia. Cincinnati is preparing report concerning captioned group.

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KU KLUX KLAN OF OHIO, INC.

On October 7, 1964, the "Columbus Evening Dispatch," a newspaper of general circulation in the Columbus, Ohio, area, contained an article stating that incorporation papers were granted to an Ohio Ku Klux Klan by Secretary of State Ted W. Brown.

On October 8, 1964, a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation determined the following information from a review of the records at the office of the Secretary of State:

On October 5, 1964, the office of Ted W. Brown, Secretary of State, Columbus, Ohio, certified the receipt of the Records of Incorporation and Miscellaneous Filings by W. K. Smith, 3482 Maplegrove Drive, Grove City, Ohio, on behalf of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Ohio, Inc. The place designated in the Articles of Incorporation as the principal office is Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio.

The purpose or purposes for which the corporation is former are:

"Said Corporation is formed for the purpose of operating as a realm organization within the State of Ohio operating under and in accordance with the constitution and laws of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., and said corporation existing by virtue and authority granted by a charter under the laws of the State of Georgia, said corporation being a corporation organized not for profit.

"Second: To promote patriotism towards our civil government, honorable peace among men and nations, protection for the happiness in the homes of our people,

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manhood, brotherhood and love among ourselves and liberty, justice and fraternity among our people, said purposes to be accomplished through a social, patriotic and benevolent association for the mutual benefit of all mankind."

The Articles of Incorporation were signed by the following individuals:

Flynn R. ~~X~~ Harvey
418 Josephine Drive
Columbus, Ohio

William K. ~~X~~ Smith
3482 Maplegrove Drive
Grove City, Ohio

Bobby J. ~~X~~ Stephens
2973 Reaver Lane
Grove City, Ohio

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In addition, Flynn R. Harvey was appointed statutory agent for the Ohio Klan. He signed the form designating him as agent as follows: "Flynn R. Harvey, Grand Dragon".

A characterization of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is contained in the Appendix.

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
(NKKKK)

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[redacted] source advised in March, 1964, that several meetings of Klan groups were held during the period 1960 to 1963 in an effort to unite the Klan groups under a single leadership.

The organization was granted a charter in DeKalb County, Georgia, November 1, 1963, under the name National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., as a "patriotic, secret, social, and benevolent order."

[redacted] source advised in December, 1963, that the organization had issued a statement of its program which indicated the organization to be anti-Negro, anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic, and anti-Foreign born.

[redacted] source advised in March, 1964, that the organization had established a headquarters in Tucker, Georgia, and the day-to-day operations are under the direction of JAMES R. VENABLE, Chairman, and [redacted]

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Information copy of this report is being directed
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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

Character:

RACIAL MATTERS

SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

Synopsis:

Headquarters located in Tucker, Ga. JAMES R. VENABLE is Chairman of NKKK. Efforts being made to organize truck drivers. At September, 1964, rally held at Stone Mountain, Ga., growth of Klan stressed, also need to preserve white supremacy. Motion made but failed to pass for Klansmen to keep faces covered at public rallies and similar affairs. Financial condition and support set forth.

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DETAILSI. HEADQUARTERS

Headquarters of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. (NKKK) is located on the second floor of the Carl Garmon Building, Idlewood Road and Lawrenceville Highway, Tucker, Georgia.

[REDACTED]
October 12, 1964

The Headquarters building at Tucker is now in pretty good shape and contains a number of cots, beds, and a kitchen. The Headquarters is similar to an Elk's Club or a Moose Hall. JAMES R. VENABLE, Chairman, has

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taken a 15-year lease on the property with an option to renew for another 15 years. Substantial money was spent on renovating the premises.

[REDACTED]
March 25, 1964

The Post Office Box utilized by the NKKK in Tucker, Georgia, is No. 107.

[REDACTED]
September 14, 1964

II. OFFICERS AND MEMBER KLAN GROUPS

A meeting of the NKKK was held at the National Headquarters at Tucker, Georgia, on September 6, 1964, starting with breakfast at 8:00 a.m. JAMES R. VENABLE, Chairman, announced to the group for the first time that he had incorporated the NKKK and that it had been incorporated since June, 1962. VENABLE stated that the NKKK is being operated as a separate Klan, the same as the other Klans enjoying membership in the National group. He explained the National group is the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan Association.

At this meeting, the following Klans were represented:

United Florida Ku Klux Klan
Association of South Carolina Klans
Dixie Klans
Association of Georgia Klans
Razorback Klans of Arkansas
Improved U. S. Klans
Ark-La-Tex Klans
Federated Klans

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The following officers of the NKKK were elected to serve for a period of one year effective this date:


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JAMES R. VENABLE, Atlanta, Chairman



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The new password is "Look up and grow."


September 16, 1964

III. FINANCIAL SUPPORT AND CONDITION

Financial records reflect following payments to

NKKK:

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9-1-63	50	"
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11/63	10	"
12/63	10	"
8/63	10	Federated Klans
9/63	50	"
10/63	10	"
11/63	10	"
12/63	10	"
10/63	10	Red River Parish Klans of Louisiana
11/63	10	"
12/63	10	"
3/64	10	Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan
3/64	10	U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc.

[REDACTED]
March 23, 1964

On September 6, 1964, at a breakfast starting at 8:00 a.m., at the Headquarters in Tucker of the NKKK, it was announced that the total expenses of the National Klan Day Rally on September 5, 1964, was \$208.40. This amount was paid to JAMES R. VENABLE out of the treasury. The balance left in the treasury after collecting the dues and paying out the \$208.40 was \$95.44.

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[REDACTED]
September 16, 1964

Initiation fee for membership into the NKKK is \$15 and dues are \$2.00 a month.

[REDACTED]
March 25, 1964

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It was reported at a meeting of the NKKK at Tucker, Georgia, on June 7, 1964, by [redacted] of the Association of Georgia Klans, that as of that date after paying JAMES R. VENABLE \$396.16 expenses for a previous outing at Stone Mountain, Georgia, on Labor Day weekend in 1963, there is \$103.84 in the treasury.

[redacted]
June 10, 1964

IV. FRICTION IN NKKK

Real friction exists between [redacted] NKKK, and JAMES R. VENABLE, Chairman, because of [redacted] drinking too much. *C.A.*
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[redacted]
May 13, 1964

On Sunday, May 10, 1964, [redacted] was ejected from the Klan by JIMMY VENABLE. [redacted] allegedly was "too active" in some movement in Tuskegee, or Montgomery, Alabama, headed by some prominent military figure. [redacted] allegedly went to Alabama to represent the Klan and VENABLE gave him \$180 for expenses to get together with the military figure to find out what was going on with the Alabama organization, but [redacted] began to get deeply involved in that movement in Alabama and used VENABLE's name.

[redacted]
May 14, 1964

At a breakfast sponsored by the NKKK on September 6, 1964, at Tucker, Georgia, a discussion was had concerning the United Klans of America, Inc., and it was generally agreed this organization had set their National meeting date at Tuscaloosa, Alabama, on September 5-6, 1964, to keep their members from attending the National Klan Day Rally

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at Stone Mountain, Georgia. It was also pointed out that whenever one of the member Klans of the National Association had a rally, and advertised, the United Klans of America would put an ad in the paper stating the United Klans was not having a rally. On a motion from the floor, a committee was appointed to see [redacted] United Klans of America, Inc., to ask him why he was trying to run down the members of the National Association, and to tell him the United Klans of America, Inc., would no longer be permitted to be affiliated with the National Association.

[redacted]
September 16, 1964

On June 5 and 6, 1964, the NKKK held a convention at Tucker, Georgia, which was attended by some 16 to 18 Klansmen. The United Klans of America, Inc., was not represented at the meeting. It was urged at the meeting that this Klan be removed as member of the National Klan group, as [redacted], of this group, is not cooperating with the other Klan groups and is trying to encourage members of other Klan groups to join his group. Further than this, [redacted] agreed to an interview by the "Time Magazine" during which interview he gave out names of other Klansmen.

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[redacted]
June 8, 1964

V. PERTINENT MEETINGS

On March 14, 1964, a meeting of the NKKK was held at the Headquarters in Tucker. Twenty people were naturalized, including a fellow from Los Angeles, California, and another from Tupelo, Mississippi. [redacted] of Dixie Klans, Chattanooga, Tennessee, were present with [redacted] presiding over the naturalization ceremony. JAMES VENABLE said that the new inductees would be a nucleus to organize klaverns in their home areas.

[redacted]
March 25, 1964

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[redacted] and JAMES R. VENABLE were speakers at a meeting held on Saturday, March 28, 1964, in Tucker, Georgia. [redacted] recommended that everyone be armed and said that "bullets not ballots will stop our enemies." A number of truck drivers were present who were also present at recent racial disorders at Daniels' Restaurant on Jonesboro Road. The NKKK is making a strong effort to organize truck drivers.

[redacted]
April 13, 1964

Approximately 75 to 100 persons attended the meeting held on May 30, 1964, in Tucker, Georgia. Representatives from the Chattanooga Klan were also present. A number of new members were inducted into the Klan ranks and a discussion and instructions were given as to how to make a bomb from an electric light and gasoline.

[redacted]
June 4, 1964

VI. RALLY OF SEPTEMBER 5-6, 1964

On September 5, 1964, 26 states were represented at the rally held on that date by the NKKK. Many of the 20 speakers appearing on the program indicated that the Klan resort to whatever means and methods are necessary for the preserving of white supremacy.

[redacted]
September 9, 1964

On September 5, 1964, a public rally sponsored by the NKKK was held on the property of JAMES R. VENABLE at the foot of Stone Mountain beginning at 8:00 p.m. and concluding at approximately 11:30 p.m. A 25-foot cross

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was set afire and the opening speaker was JAMES R. VENABLE. VENABLE indicated that the Klan does not endorse any man for President of the United States, but that with the men who are candidates, he personally could not see voting for JOHNSON. VENABLE also indicated he could not tell people to disobey the new Civil Rights law, but that any person could see it was wrong, and that something should be done about it. VENABLE related that 19 state Klan organizations were represented at the rally. The theme of all the speeches was the growth of the Klan and the need to preserve white supremacy.

[redacted]
September 6 and 8, 1964;

[redacted]
September 6 and 8, 1964

A motion was made at the rally for Klansmen to keep their faces covered at public rallies and similar affairs, but only the delegates from Louisiana supported this motion and it was defeated.

[redacted]
September 23, 1964

VII. AIMS, OBJECTIVES AND PURPOSE OF THE NKKK

An article appearing in "The Atlanta Journal," a local newspaper for April 10, 1964, entitled, "Klan Using Mails for Call to Arm," reflects that a small Atlanta Ku Klux Klan group operating under one of four different names, is using the mails to disseminate a document urging citizens to arm themselves for war against "black riots" and "our traitor government." The group, headed by Atlanta attorney JAMES R. VENABLE, is pursuing the same anti-Negro, anti-Jew, anti-government goals under the following names: The National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc.; Defensive Legion of Registered Americans; Committee of One Million Caucasians to March on Congress; Christian Voters and Buyers League.

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"The KKK group says in mailed pamphlets that it 'is determined to become once again the dominant political force in our glorious country.'

"The 'defensive legion,' whose slogan is 'We're taking back our country,' urges 'patriots' to buy rifles, shotguns, pistols, walkie-talkies, food supplies for 'war.' It says 'the people...are the government,' and urges defiance against 'tyrannical government.'

"The 'committee of one million' seeks contributions for a big march on the nation's capitol, 40 per cent of which would go to the committee for its costs, and cites a 'list of demands' to be made on Congress. Several of the demands coincide exactly with printed 'demands' of the KKK group.

"The 'voters and buyers league' is an agency for selling records narrated by Wally Butterworth, who is associated with Mr. Venable. The records discuss Negroes, Jews, federal judges, mental health, the Kennedys - subjects relating primarily to racial matters.

"The document of the 'defensive legion' urging citizens to arm themselves in preparation for bloodshed covers six legal-size pages.

"'...Blood will surely flow in the streets,' the document says. 'Let it flow! Let us arm our homes to make sure that Negro-Jew blood flows - not ours.'

"It goes into the nature of race riots: 'There are no battle lines. Defense shooting will be at close range...'

"It recommends shotguns, 12 gauge, with '00 Double Ought' pellets, for close-range shooting, and some high-powered rifles with telescope sights 'for distance shooting.'

"The paper urges 'patriots' to set up a budget, taking money from each paycheck, for arming themselves. 'When the trouble starts,' it says, 'and it will because the blacks are already armed, then you can depend on our traitor government trying to padlock the gun stores. Get your supplies NOW...'

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"A 'vast stock' of ammunition is recommended, and the author of the document urges the acquisition of .22 caliber weapons for 'women and teen-age kids,' with hollow-nosed bullets that 'go clear through your game, either two-legged or four.'

"Walkie-talkies are urged because 'telephones will be put out of order by rioters...or by subversives... in the 'phone company monopolies,' or by the government itself.'

"The document urges rebellion against 'any police agency' attempting 'to restrict use of arms...'

"'Use it (the weapon) on them to protect your basic freedom,' the document urges. 'If every good citizen is fully armed, no tyrannical government will be big enough to disarm you.'

"The call to arm has been sent through the mails, along with advertisement of records and KKK pamphlets.

"The leaders of the group urging an arming of 'patriots' are also the leaders of the group attempting to organize a march of 'Caucasians' on Washington.

"The slogan of the 'march' committee is the same as that of the 'defensive legion'; 'We're taking back our country.'"

VIII. SUPPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF ONE MILLION
CAUCASIANS TO MARCH ON CONGRESS, JULY 4,
1964 (THE COMMITTEE)

A characterization of this organization is included in the appendix of this report.

JAMES B. VENABLE said he would contact [redacted] and ask [redacted] to approach Governor GEORGE WALLACE of Alabama to determine if WALLACE would speak to the group of The Committee after his appearance in Atlanta on July 4, 1964.

[redacted]
June 4, 1964

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Included on the agenda of a meeting of the NKKK held on June 5 and 6, 1964, at Tucker, Georgia, was a discussion concerning The Committee. All Klansmen and other segregated groups were urged to attend the meeting to be held at Washington, D. C.

[REDACTED]
June 8, 1964

It had been announced that the NKKK would hold a meeting on June 6-7, 1964, in Tucker, Georgia, and all delegates were being urged to attend as important business was to be discussed. All delegates were being urged to get their state and their community to work in The Committee as a large delegation from all areas of the country is needed.

[REDACTED]
May 28, 1964

On June 7, 1964, at a breakfast sponsored by the NKKK, VENABLE urged everyone to remember the March on Washington on July 4, 1964. VENABLE said that they had collected about \$1800 for advertisements and expenses and that there was about \$200 left of the money collected.

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June 10, 1964

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COMMITTEE OF ONE MILLION CAUCASIANS
TO MARCH ON CONGRESS, JULY 4, 1964
(The Committee)

A source advised in March, 1964, that The Committee of One Million Caucasians to March on Congress, July 4, 1964, (The Committee) was organized in February, 1964, by JAMES R. VENABLE [redacted]

[redacted]
Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., and [redacted] is [redacted] of the same organization. According to a document issued by The Committee, the purpose of The March on Congress is to "wrest control of the United States Government from the Communist hands of foreign Asiatic jews and African negroes, plus the arch-traitors of Congress who have been bought by them, body and soul."

The same source advised in March, 1964, that the headquarters of The Committee are located in the headquarters of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., at Tucker, Georgia.

[redacted] source advised in April, 1964, that the main activities of The Committee have been the dissemination of propaganda has consisted of newspaper advertisements and direct mail promotion.

[redacted] source advised in March, 1964, that [redacted] was also promoting the March on Congress by means of phonograph records issued by the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc.

[redacted] source advised in August, 1964, that the organization sponsored an unsuccessful march on Congress on July 4, 1964, and is now no longer in existence.

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*In Reply, Please Refer to
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Atlanta, Georgia
October 20, 1964

Title	NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC., aka.
Character	RACIAL MATTERS
Reference	Report of SA [redacted] dated October 20, 1964, at Atlanta, Georgia, captioned as above.

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[redacted] advised plans were underway for an open klan rally on Highway 80 near Fillmore, which is located within the Shreveport, La., Resident Agency territory, on the night of 10/29/64. According to informant, klansmen are coming from Louisiana and from the Texas area.

Each office should advise any information they might have concerning plans for any members of this organization to attend this rally.

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Re New Orleans airtel 10/26/64.

Enclosed herewith are eight copies of a letterhead memorandum dated 10/27/64 in above-captioned matter.

For information of the Bureau, [redacted]
[redacted] Louisiana State Police, was
advised of the proposed rally on 10/27/64.

One copy of instant letterhead memorandum is being furnished ICG, New Orleans.

New Orleans Office is not in possession of appendix for National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc.; office of origin being requested to furnish same.

The confidential source mentioned in letterhead memorandum is [redacted]

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AGENCY: ASST. DIR., OSI, SEC. SER.

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New Orleans, Louisiana
October 27, 1964

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

A confidential source, who has supplied reliable information in the past, advised that the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., are planning an open klan rally on Highway 80, approximately ten miles east of Bossier City, near Fillmore, Louisiana, on the night of October 29, 1964.

[redacted] 112th Intelligence Corps
Group, New Orleans, was advised of the above proposed rally on October 27, 1964.

[redacted]
Louisiana State Police, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in the absence of Superintendent [redacted] was advised of the above proposed rally on October 27, 1964.

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New Orleans, Louisiana
October 27, 1964

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Title	NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
Character	RACIAL MATTERS
Reference	Letterhead memorandum dated 10/27/64, captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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FROM NEW ORLEANS /157-188/ 2P

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF KLU KLUX KLAN. ~~INT.~~ RACIAL MATTER

FIELD RALLY OF CAPTIONED ORGANIZATION HELD OCTOBER
TWENTYNINE AT PRINCETON, BOSSIER PARISH LA., FOURTEEN MILES
EAST OF BOSSIER CITY, LA. SURVEILLANCE DETERMINED RALLY
STARTED ABOUT SEVEN PM AND BROKE UP ABOUT NINE THIRTY PM.

THIRTY TO THIRTYFIVE HOODED AND ROBED FIGURES OBSERVED
PARTICIPATING IN RALLY WHICH CONSISTED OF BURNING FIVE CROSSES
WHILE MEMBERS STOOD IN SEMI CIRCLE FACING HIGHWAY, HOLDING
INDIVIDUAL HAND TORCHES. RALLY HELD IN WIRE FENCE ENCLOSED FIELD
APPROXIMATELY NINETY BY ONE HUNDRED FIFTY FEET LOCATED
ON SOUTH SIDE U. S. HIGHWAY EIGHTY IN WOODED AND SPARSELY SETTLED
AREA, BUT PLAINLY VISIBLE FROM HIGHWAY. TWO SIGNS OBSERVED ATTACHED
TO FENCE FACING HIGHWAY. ONE APPROXIMATELY THREE BY TEN FEET
BORE WORDS ~~QUOTE~~ JOHNSON, JENKINS, HUMPHREY, IT TAKES THREE
TO TANGO ~~UNQUOTE~~. SECOND SIGN APPROXIMATELY THREE BY THREE FEET
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CONTAINED WHAT APPEARED TO BE CARICATURE OF HEAD OF PRESIDENT JOHNSON, WITH WORDS ~~QUOTE~~ "ME KING" ~~UNQUOTE~~.

AT VARYING TIMES GROUP MARCHED AROUND FIELD AND MINGLED IN LARGE GROUP BEHIND SIGNS IN CLEAR VIEW OF HIGHWAY, ATTRACTING ATTENTION OF SOME PASSING MOTORIST. MEETING DID NOT APPEAR TO HAVE ANY FORMAL PROGRAM AND NO ADDRESSES APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN MADE. UNKNOWN PHOTOGRAPHER OBSERVED TAKING PICTURES AT END OF RALLY. LOUISIANA STATE POLICE TROOPERS AND BOSSIER PARISH DEPUTIES OBSERVED ON HIGHWAY AT SCENE OF RALLY AND REMAINED UNTIL RALLY ENDED. NO DISTURBANCES OBSERVED DURING COURSE OF RALLY AND PARTICIPANTS LEFT IN ORDERLY FASHION.

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Date Oct. 30, 1964

Information herein being
furnished Civil Rights Division
of Department and Secret Service.

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Att.: Civil Rights Section
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From: SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245)

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OF OHIO, INC. (NKKK)☐ BOMBING MATTERS - THREATS ☒ RACIAL MATTERS

Re Cincinnati airtel to Bureau, 10/14/64.

Enclosed are eight copies of a letterhead memorandum. Two copies have been designated for U. S. Secret Service, Columbus, Ohio.

On 10/23/64, [redacted] State House, Secretary of State's Office, State of Ohio, advised SA [redacted] that the charter for NKKK had been revoked 10/22/64. He said there is no legal authority vested in the Secretary of State's Office for revoking a corporate charter once it has been granted. He said the actual purpose for revocation of the charter was not because the NKKK is on the U. S. Attorney General's subversive list but because it was felt the existence of a state-granted charter would encourage the Klan to make the claim it was "state sanctioned" and therefore entirely legitimate. He said the NKKK could probably succeed in securing a mandamus from the Supreme Court of Ohio for reinstatement of the charter but as far as he knows the members of the group have not indicated an intention to do so.

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[redacted] advised he was contacted by [redacted]
[redacted] on behalf of the NKKK, 10/22/64.
He said he did not advise these men concerning their legal
recourse and he did not tell them that the action of
revocation could be appealed.

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SA [redacted] furnished information on 10/23/64, to
[redacted]



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Cincinnati, Ohio
October 26, 1964

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
OF OHIO, INC. (NKKK)

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Reference is made to the previous Letterhead Memorandum bearing the same caption, dated October 14, 1964, at Cincinnati, Ohio.

On October 23, 1964, the Columbus Citizen Journal, a newspaper of general circulation in the Columbus, Ohio, area, contained an article on page one which stated that incorporation papers, granted to the Ku Klux Klan on October 5, 1964, were revoked October 22, 1964, by Secretary of State of Ohio, Ted W. Brown. The article further stated the Secretary of State "revoked the Klan's charter Thursday (October 22, 1964) after learning the KKK is on the U. S. Attorney General's subversive list."

or by
The news article also stated: "William K. Smith, 3482 Maplegrove Drive, a signer of the Klan charter, along with Ohio Grand Dragon Flynn R. Harvey, 418 Josephine Avenue, and Bobby J. Stephens, 2973 Reaver Avenue, promised the Columbus Chapter would continue unhampered without a charter."

On October 23, 1964, a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation was advised by [redacted] Secretary of State's Office, State House, State of Ohio, that the charter for the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Ohio, granted October 5, 1964, had been revoked October 22, 1964. He said [redacted] Columbus, Ohio, [redacted] or the (NKKK), had been officially advised of the revocation of the charter.

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A characterization of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is contained in the appendix.

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TITLE OF CASE NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC., aka.		REPORT MADE BY SA 	TYPED BY b6 m/b7C
		CHARACTER OF CASE RM	

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REFERENCES

New Orleans airtel and letterhead memorandum to Bureau, dated 10/27/64.

New Orleans teletype to Bureau, dated 10/29/64.

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LEADSNEW ORLEANSAt New Orleans, Louisiana

- (1) Will continue to follow and report pertinent activity of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in the State of Louisiana.
- (2) Will determine the identities of the persons to whom the Louisiana license plates are issued which were observed at

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LEADS (Continued):

the Klan rally held on October 29, 1964, near Fillmore,
Louisiana.

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Copy to: 1 - ONI 8TH NAVAL DISTRICT, NEW ORLEANS (RM)
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Report of: SA [REDACTED] Office: NEW ORLEANS
Date: NOVEMBER 3, 1964

Field Office File No.: NO 157-188 Bureau File No.: (157-168)

Title: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

Character: RACIAL MATTERS

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Synopsis: Activity of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) centered in Northwest Louisiana at Coushatta and Shreveport, Louisiana. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] of Coushatta and [REDACTED] of Shreveport identified as [REDACTED] has made recruiting trips to areas of East Texas. Membership of Shreveport Unit consists of [REDACTED] individuals. Shreveport members in September, 1964, distributed leaflets against integration. Klan rally consisting of burning crosses held evening of 10/29/64 near Fillmore, Louisiana.

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Details:

Characterizations of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan and the Association of Arkansas Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, hereinafter referred to as the NKKKK and AAK, respectively, are set forth in the appendix section of this report.

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I. IDENTITY OF LEADERS IN LOUISIANA AND CONNECTION
WITH THE NATIONAL ORGANIZATION

B. APPROX [redacted]

[redacted] advised on July 7, 1964, that [redacted] who was described as a white male, age about [redacted] slender build, white hair, and wears horned rimmed glasses, of Coushatta, Louisiana, is the head of a Klan group known as the "Ark-La-Tex." This Klan group, of which [redacted] is associated with the Klan organization of JAMES R. VENABLE of Atlanta, Georgia, [redacted] Coushatta, Louisiana, is [redacted] of this organization, and the geographical area covered by [redacted] Klan group extends from the area surrounding Coushatta and the area of Longview, Texas.

[redacted] further advised on August 4, 1964, that [redacted] of Coushatta, Louisiana, has been making trips to Shreveport, Louisiana, Atlanta and Longview, Texas, and it is claimed that his Klan groups in these areas are strong. [redacted] has stated that his Klan organization is affiliated with the National Klan organization of which JAMES VENABLE, of Atlanta, Georgia, is the leader.

[redacted] advised on September 16, 1964, that individuals by the names of [redacted], first name unknown, and [redacted] first name unknown, both from the State of Louisiana, and representing a Klan group known as the "Ark-La-Tex", attended the national meeting of the NKKKK which was held on September 6, 1964, at the National Headquarters at Tucker, Georgia. At this same meeting, JAMES R. VENABLE was elected [redacted] of the NKKKK and [redacted] was elected as [redacted] to serve in these capacities for a period of one year, effective September 6, 1964.

[redacted] advised on September 7, 1964, that an automobile bearing Louisiana License 88G892 was observed at a meeting of the NKKKK held on September 5, 1964, at Stone Mountain, Georgia.

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On October 9, 1964, [redacted], Auto Theft Section, Louisiana Motor Vehicle Bureau, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, advised SA [redacted] that 1964-1965 Louisiana License 88G892 was issued to WILLIAM L. HUNTER, Post Office Box 530, Coushatta, Red River Parish, Louisiana. This license plate was registered to a 1958 Lincoln automobile.

On October 9, 1964, [redacted] of the Louisiana Drivers License Bureau, Baton Rouge, advised SA [redacted] that the records of her agency revealed that WILLIAM LESLIE HUNTER of Route 2, Coushatta, Louisiana, is employed as a farmer and school bus driver at Coushatta. HUNTER is described as a white male, age 62, born November 1, 1901, 61", 180 pounds, grey hair and brown eyes.

[redacted] advised on September 22, 1964, that all contributions for legal fees are to be sent to the National Headquarters of the NKKKK, Tucker, Georgia. [redacted] further advised on October 13, 1964, that [redacted] the [redacted]

[redacted] Shreveport, Louisiana, is the Providence Giant for the NKKKK and allegedly has jurisdiction over four towns in Texas and six or seven towns in Louisiana.

[redacted] advised on October 26, 1964, that [redacted] of Coushatta, Louisiana, was allegedly making a trip to Atlanta, Texas, and West Monroe, Louisiana, regarding some "trouble" in these areas. The nature of this "trouble" was unknown.

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II. COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA

[] advised on July 9, 1964, that the Klan group, of which [] of Coushatta is the leader, meets every third Sunday at the courthouse in Coushatta at 2:00 PM. [] further advised that the Sheriff at Coushatta has issued to members of [] group badges and identification cards.

[] advised on July 20, 1964, that a Klan meeting was held on July 19, 1964, at the City Hall at Coushatta. This meeting was attended by approximately 21 persons, and [] of Coushatta stated that a fund had been established to send agitators from Georgia and North Carolina "up North" in order to agitate. [] stated that if a Grand Jury should be empanelled in the Coushatta area regarding racial matters, there would be at least two Klan members on this Grand Jury who would keep the Klan advised as to what was going on.

[] advised on September 3, 1964, that [] the Klan leader from Coushatta, Louisiana, has been organizing a Klan group near Center, Texas.

[] advised on September 30, 1964, that the Coushatta Klan group has \$200.00 on hand.

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III. SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA

[redacted] advised on August 20, 1964. that [redacted] a Klan [redacted] Coushatta, Louisiana, indicated that Klan activity should be started in the Shreveport, Louisiana, area because of the forthcoming opening of schools. [redacted] did not indicate what this activity would consist of.

A. Officers

[redacted] advised on September 22, 1964, that a meeting of the Shreveport, Louisiana, Unit of the NKKKK was held on this date at the Pick-Nik Store, 6904 Southern Avenue, Shreveport, at which time the following officers were chosen:



[redacted] advised on October 13, 1964, at a meeting of the Shreveport Unit held on the same date, [redacted] stated that if [redacted] did not return to Shreveport from Saginaw Michigan, [redacted] would then take over as the [redacted] of this unit.

B. Membership

[redacted] advised on September 30, 1964, that the membership of the Shreveport, Louisiana, Unit of the NKKKK consists of ten individuals.

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C. Finances

[redacted] advised on September 30, 1964, that as of this date the Shreveport Unit of the NKKKK has \$12.50 on hand.

D. Security Precautions

[redacted] advised on September 4, 1964, that at a meeting of the Shreveport, Louisiana, Unit held on the same date, members were cautioned that they should never be interviewed in FBI automobiles as these automobiles are equipped with recording devices.

E. Meetings

[redacted] advised on various dates from August 20, 1964, through October 15, 1964, that the following-listed meetings of the Shreveport Unit of the NKKKK were held on the dates indicated. These meetings were held at the Pick-Nik Store [redacted] 6904 Southern Avenue, Shreveport, Louisiana: NKK

<u>Date</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Date Received</u>
8/20/64	Open	Pick-Nik Store, 6904 Southern Avenue, Shreve- port, Louisiana	[redacted]	8/20/64
9/3/64	Closed	"	[redacted]	9/3/64
9/8/64	Closed	"	[redacted]	9/15/64
9/22/64	Closed	"	[redacted]	9/22/64
9/29/64	Closed	"	[redacted]	9/30/64
10/13/64	Closed	"	[redacted]	10/13/64
10/15/64	Closed	"	[redacted]	10/15/64

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F. Activities

[] advised on August 20, 1964, that at a meeting of the Shreveport Unit of the NKKKK held on the same date, members were cautioned that they should not burn any crosses or take any direct action against integration but instead should obtain all details regarding persons involved in the integration movement. Instructions as to what action, if any, should be taken would have to be received from Coushatta, Louisiana. At this meeting the members were informed that their unit was associated with the Klan organization headed by JAMES VENABLE. The members were informed that there would be a \$10.00 initiation fee plus an additional \$10.00 for their robes and hoods which are made at Coushatta, Louisiana.

[] advised on September 8, 1964, that after the meeting of the Shreveport Unit held on September 8, 1964, members were furnished with leaflets, and that subsequently these leaflets were distributed in residential areas of Shreveport and also placed on parked automobiles.

A copy of this leaflet is set forth on the following page:

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HOW FAR WILL YOU AND YOUR FAMILY ACCEPT INTEGRATION?

- ☐ EAT IN SAME RESTAURANT?
- ☐ SHARE THE SAME SEAT IN A TROLLEY?
- ☐ PERMIT YOUR CHILD TO ATTEND AN INTEGRATED SCHOOL?
- ☐ ATTEND THE SAME HOUSE OF WORSHIP?
- ☐ INVITE ONE OR MORE INTO YOUR HOME SOCIALLY?
- ☐ LET YOUR CHILDREN GO ON MIXED PARTIES?

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[] advised on September 29, 1964, that at a meeting of the Shreveport Unit held on the same date, [] member, stated that he had some crosses approximately six feet in height which were wrapped in old burlap sacks. [] indicated that he also had gallon jugs of kerosene to use in burning the crosses. [] further stated that it was hoped that two crosses could be burned in the near future; however, the date, time and location were not specified.

[] advised on October 8, 1964, that a discussion had been held among the Klansmen who were members of the Shreveport Unit of the NKKKK regarding the possible burning of crosses in the Shreveport area during the week of October 12, 1964. It was decided, however, that more definite plans relative to where the crosses should be burned would have to be made.

[] advised on October 13, 1964, that at a meeting of the Shreveport Unit held on the same date at Shreveport, Louisiana, a discussion was held about holding an open-air meeting during which crosses would be burned within the next few weeks. It was suggested that this rally might be held near Fillmore, Louisiana, located east of Bossier City, Louisiana, along U. S. Highway 80.

[] advised on October 15, 1964, that at a meeting of the Shreveport Unit held on this date a tentative date of October 29, 1964, was made for the holding of an open-air rally and cross burning near Fillmore, Louisiana.

[] further stated that at this meeting the members were informed that the issuance of membership cards had been discontinued.

[] advised on October 26, 1964, that a rally of the NKKKK was to be held on the evening of October 29, 1964, along Highway 80, near Fillmore, Louisiana. It was anticipated that Klansmen from the areas of Coushatta and Monroe, Louisiana, as well as the area of Atlanta, Texas, would attend this rally.

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Date 11/5/64

The following observations were made of a Klan rally held in a vacant field on the south side of U. S. Highway 80, Princeton, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, located approximately one-half mile east of the Fillmore Service Station:

At 6:35 PM, two cars were parked in the vacant field facing U. S. Highway 80 with the headlights on, and three to five men were seated in front of the cars on the ground. Between 6:35 PM and 7:10 PM, three more cars carrying men in civilian clothing arrived and parked on the southwest side of the building of the vacant field. The men seated on the ground became active handling some items on the ground.

At 7:10 PM, four flares were placed on the south side of the highway near the vacant field. More cars were observed to arrive, and there were twelve to fifteen cars parked in the vacant field.

At 7:40 PM, a white cloth sign ten feet by three feet was hung on the fence just behind the flares, which sign could be read from the highway. The sign had red letters which read "Johnson Jenkins and Humphrey. It takes three to tango." A smaller sign three feet by three feet to the west appeared to be a caricature of President JOHNSON and had words "Me King" on it.

At 7:55 PM a robed and hooded figure in white was observed at the entrance of the vacant field.

At 8:05 PM twenty to twenty-five robed and hooded figures gathered on the vacant field in full view of the highway.

At 8:12 PM five crosses were observed burning in front of the men in the field. Many of the men carried hand torches. The largest cross was eight feet tall with five foot cross piece; the four smaller ones were about four feet tall with four foot cross pieces. While these crosses were burning the hooded figures stood in a semicircle facing the highway, and at this a count could be made and a total of thirty-one men were counted.

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On 10/29/64 at Princeton, Louisiana File # NO 157-2986

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At 8:20 PM they broke the semicircle, gathered in a group at the back of the field, after which there was a general milling around. These figures then formed in pairs and marched counter-clockwise within the area of the burning crosses.

At 8:30 PM they formed a single line across the front of the area behind the signs and facing the highway. During this time a Louisiana State Police car had arrived, and at 8:32 PM a trooper was observed to leave the police car and talk to one of the robed figures.

At 8:40 PM the trooper had returned to his car but did not leave. The robed figures then began to mill around in the wire fence enclosed field, which was about ninety feet wide by 150 feet deep. It was noted this field is in a sparsely settled area but plainly visible from the highway.

It was observed that among the robed figures were five red robes, the rest being white robes.

At 8:45 PM they added fuel to the large cross.

At 8:55 PM they started moving to the rear of the field, and two red robed figures started removing the signs from the fence. The robed figures then moved to the front of the field at 9:00 PM where a photographer started taking group pictures.

At 9:05 they were observed holding up their signs and the photographer photographed them in this position, standing in a semicircle.

At 9:15 PM they started breaking up, at which time two state police cars and one sheriff's car were parked in front of the field with officers observing the activities.

At 9:25 PM they were observed departing in their automobiles, and by 9:30 PM they all appeared to have departed.

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During the course of the rally, there did not appear to be any formal program and no addresses appeared to have been made. A number of passing motorists stopped their cars along the highway to observe the proceedings, but no disturbances were observed during the course of the rally, and the participants left in orderly fashion.

SA [] observed the following license numbers on cars which pulled out of the field onto U. S. Highway 80 heading west toward Shreveport, Louisiana:

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SA [] observed the following license numbers on cars on U. S. Highway 80 heading west after the meeting which may have been persons attending the meeting:

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IV. CONTACT WITH OTHER KLAN ORGANIZATIONS

[] advised on September 28, 1964, that a Mr. [] from East Texas recently attended a Klan meeting held at Coushatta, Louisiana. [] allegedly brought into the NKKKK eight small groups.

[] advised on October 1, 1964, that [] who resides near Bivins, Texas, and a member of the Association of Arkansas Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (AAK), has been in frequent contact with Klan leaders at Coushatta, Louisiana. One of these leaders is a man by the name of [] and they have been attempting through [] to get the Texarkana Klavern of the AAK to have close contact with the Klan groups in Louisiana. [] has given inclination of his desire to associate with the Louisiana Klansmen because they will, if necessary, engage in violent activity to prevent racial integration.

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APPENDIX

ASSOCIATION OF ARKANSAS KLANS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (AAK)

A source advised on April 22, 1959, as follows:

AAK was formed on April 21, 1959, at Pine Bluff, Arkansas, for the purpose of promoting white supremacy and segregation of the races, but violence was disavowed. Leaders of the AAK were previously members of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (OKKKK). [redacted]

[redacted] of OKKKK for the State of Arkansas, was carried over as [redacted] of the new organization, AAK.

A source advised that on August 11, 1960, [redacted] [redacted] disavowed violence. [redacted] source advised in January, 1963, that the ne [redacted] disavowed violence and that [redacted] of the AAK. [redacted] source advised on December 15, 1963, there had been no change in the program and objectives of the AAK. [redacted] source stated the ritual used by OKKKK is taken from the "Kloran" of the Association of South Carolina Klans of the Ku Klux Klan (ASCK).

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Regarding the ASCK, the following is noted:

A source advised on September 24, 1956, that the ASCK was organized in the fall of 1955 and is patterned after the Association of Carolina Klans (ACK). The source stated the ASCK is a new organization and not a re-birth of the ACK, although all high-ranking officials of the ASCK had been members of the ACK. The announced purposes of this organization are to promote white supremacy and to combat integration of races; however, the use of violence is disavowed.

A source advised on September 2, 1950, that the ACK was composed of groups formerly members of the Association of Georgia Klans (AGK), and although the ACK served all connections with the AGK on November 14, 1949, the ideals, purposes and policies of the two organizations remained

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of the Ku Klux Klan (AAK)

identical. The ACK became defunct after conviction and imprisonment of its highest official and other members in 1952.

The AGK has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

New Orleans, Louisiana
November 5, 1964

Title: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

Character: RACIAL MATTERS

Reference: Report of SA [redacted]
[redacted] dated 11/5/64,
at New Orleans, Louisiana.

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All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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Transmit the following in _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (157-60) (P)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
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Re Atlanta airtel 9/2/64.

Atlanta has maintained contact with [redacted]
[redacted] Confidential Source [redacted] and Con-
fidential Source [redacted] in effort to identify
"Secret Six." However, identification has not been
made to date.

Bureau will be kept advised of developments.

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Date: 11/6/64

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To: Director, FBI

(157-168)

Att.: Civil Rights Section
General Investigative DivisionFrom: SAC, New Orleans (157-188)

Subject:

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Enclosed are eight copies of a letterhead memorandum.

A copy of enclosed letterhead memorandum is being
sent to 112th ICG, New Orleans.ACCT. NO. 100,000,000 SEC SER
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BY : F.H.F. sk

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New Orleans, Louisiana

November 6, 1964

In Reply, Please Refer to
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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF
THE KU KLUX KLAN

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Reference is made to a letterhead memorandum of the New Orleans Office of the FBI dated October 27, 1964, pertaining to a proposed rally of captioned organization to be held October 29, 1964, at Fillmore, Louisiana.

On the evening of October 29, 1964, the following observations were made by Special Agents of the FBI in the vicinity of a field on the south side of U. S. Highway 80, Princeton, Bossier Parish, Louisiana:

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At 9:15 PM, they started breaking up, at which time two state police cars and one sheriff's car were parked in front of the field with officers observing the activities.

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During the course of the rally, there did not appear to be any formal program and no addresses appeared to have been made. A number of passing motorists stopped their cars along the highway to observe the proceedings, but no disturbances were observed during the course of the rally, and the participants left in orderly fashion.

A characterization of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is set forth on the attached page.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM : SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245) (P)

DATE: 11/10/64

SUBJECT:

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN OF OHIO, INC. (NKKK)
RACIAL MATTERS

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Enclosed for the Bureau are 4 copies of a characterization of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Ohio, Inc. which are submitted for appropriate approval.

Also enclosed for Atlanta is one copy of the same characterization.

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OF OHIO, INC. (NKKK)

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On October 8, 1964, [redacted]
[redacted] of State's Office, Columbus, State of Ohio,
advised public records from this office indicate a charter
was granted the NKKK of Ohio on October 5, 1964, by the
State of Ohio. The charter was filed under Certificate
Number 10194, and the Corporation Number is 334111.

The purpose of the corporation is to operate
as a realm organization within the State of Ohio and in
accordance with the Constitution and laws of the National
Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., Atlanta, Georgia.
Second, to promote patriotism towards the civil government,
honorable peace among men and nations, love among ourselves,
liberty, justice and patriotic association for the mutual
benefit of all mankind.

The incorporation papers were signed by Flynn
R. Harvey, Grand Dragon. Flynn R. Harvey, 418 Josephine
Drive, Columbus, Ohio; William K. Smith, 3482 Maple Grove
Drive, Grove City, Ohio, and Bobby J. Stephens, 2973 Reaver
Avenue, Grove City, Ohio, are the corporation trustees.

On October 23, 1964, [redacted]
[redacted] State House, Secretary of State's Office,
State of Ohio, advised that the National Knights of the
Ku Klux Klan of Ohio, Inc.'s charter granted October 5, 1964,
was revoked October 22, 1964, for the official reason that
the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan Organization was
on the U. S. Attorney General's subversive list.

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Director, FBI (157-7-180)

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Bureau 11/10/64, which included a characterization of the recently formed National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Ohio.

Paragraph four of characterization stated that the charter granted this organization by the State of Ohio was revoked because "the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan organization was on the U. S. Attorney General's subversive list."

As you are aware, the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan has not been designated by the U. S. Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450. You should promptly determine the exact reason for this charter being revoked by the State of Ohio and resubmit a characterization for approval. If your investigation determines that the wording used in your characterization is correct, you should add a qualifying paragraph, indicating that the Ku Klux Klan and not the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

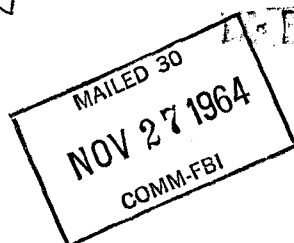
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Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

DATE: 12/3/64

FROM : SAC, CINCINNATI (157-245) (P)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
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RACIAL MATTERS

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ReBulet to Cincinnati 11/30/64.

Enclosed for the Bureau are four copies of an amended characterization of the National Knights of the KKK of Ohio, Inc., which are submitted for approval.

Also enclosed for Atlanta is one copy of the same characterization.

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On October 8, 1964, [REDACTED]
of State's Office, Columbus, State of Ohio, advised public
records from this office indicate a charter was granted the
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The purpose of the corporation is to operate as a
realm organization within the State of Ohio and in accordance
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The incorporation papers were signed by Flynn R.
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of Ohio, Inc.'s charter granted October 5, 1964, was revoked
October 22, 1964, for the official reason that the National
Knights of the Ku Klux Klan Organization was on the U. S.
Attorney General's subversive list. [REDACTED] said the actual
purpose for revocation of the charter was not because the
National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is on the U. S. Attorney
General's subversive list, but because it was felt the existence
of a state granted charter would encourage the Klan to make the
claim it was "state sanctioned" and therefore entirely legitimate.

In actuality the Ku Klux Klan and not the National
Knights of the Ku Klux Klan has been designated by the U. S.
Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

APPROVED 12/9/64 [Signature]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 12/14/64

FROM : SAC, CINCINNATI (157-358)

SUBJECT:



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DATE 8-19-88 BY SP4 JF/SL

RACIAL MATTERS

Re Cincinnati airtel to Bureau, 9/9/64, with enclosure.

Referenced airtel and LHM sets forth information received from [redacted] (NA), Columbus, Ohio, Police Department, Intelligence Unit, concerning a statement made by captioned subject to the effect that he wondered if dynamite could be obtained for the purpose of blowing up Negro places. [redacted] has since furnished information concerning subject's affiliation with the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Ohio, Inc.

A review of Cincinnati file [redacted] captioned as above, reveals that subject is identical with [redacted] formerly IO Fugitive No. [redacted] cancelled 7/6/60, following apprehension by Bureau Agents the same date. The Cincinnati file reveals that the subject was at large from 11/18/57, until his apprehension. He had been sentenced for a period of five years to life imprisonment in the California State Prison, Soledad, California, on 3/28/56, for an Armed Robbery he committed on 2/11/56, at Merced, California. Subject is currently on parole and will remain so until 2/2/66.

The Cincinnati file further reveals that subject's military service record was reviewed 9/28/59, by IC [redacted] at the Military Personnel Records Center, St. Louis,

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Missouri. The following information was obtained:

Subject served in the [redacted]
[redacted] 7, from 3/21/52, until 3/26/56, when he was
discharged as an Airman Second Class. The reason given
for discharge was that subject was convicted by a Civil Court
of a felony. His military occupation is shown as radio operator.

Physical description:

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Name:

Aliases:

Race:

Sex:

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Occupation:

Social Security No.:

FBI No.:

Columbus Police No.:

White

Male

155 pounds

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registered as
felon parolee, 2/8/63

Relatives:

Father:

Mother:

Wife:

Children:

Mother and father-in-

Ohio

CI 157-358

Action to be taken:

Subject is being added to the bombing suspect list in the Cincinnati Division. He is not known to be experienced in the handling of explosives, but is being added to the list for the following reasons:

1. He has a previous record of conviction for Armed Robbery.
2. He is an active member of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of Ohio, Inc.
3. His previous statement regarding obtaining dynamite to blow up "Negro places".

SUBJECT HAS USED FIREARMS IN AN ARMED ROBBERY AND SHOULD THEREFORE BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

DATE: 12/30/64

FROM : SAC, ATLANTA (157-60) (P)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
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Re Atlanta airtel to Bureau 11/5/64.

Atlanta has maintained contact with [redacted] and Confidential Source [redacted] to attempt to identify "Secret Six." To date, however, identification of these individuals has not been made, and contact will be maintained with all logical sources in an attempt to identify the "Secret Six" if they do, in fact, exist.

On 12/15/64 Confidential Source, [redacted] Anti-Defamation League, advised that [redacted] from Chattanooga Tenn., and [redacted] who are [redacted] of the National Knights in the Chattanooga area, all recently [redacted] however, [redacted] notified JAMES VENABLE that he is going to attend the Christmas party of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in Tucker, Ga.

Knoxville is requested to ascertain at Chattanooga, Tenn., whether or not [redacted] actually did [redacted] and their general state of health at the present time.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (157-168)

FROM : SAC, Knoxville (157-117)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
RACIAL MATTERS
(AT O.O.)

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Re Atlanta letter to Bureau 12/30/64 captioned
matter; Knoxville report of SA [redacted] 11/23/64,
entitled "DK, KKKK, Inc.," Bufile 105-65374, AT file 105-773,
KX file 100-3301, KX O.O.

For information of Bureau and Atlanta, [redacted]
are all members and leaders of the DK, KKKK, Inc. national
headquarters Chattanooga, Tenn. [redacted]
[redacted] of national organization and [redacted]
of Klavern #11 Chattanooga, Tenn. of this organization. [redacted]
[redacted] of this organization. [redacted]
[redacted] of this organization and is policy-maker
of this organization with [redacted]

Referenced report of SA [redacted] DK, KKKK, Inc.,
sets forth details of [redacted]
(11/11/64) and [redacted] (11/7/64).

According to Knoxville informants [redacted]
both of whom are officers and active members of
DK, KKKK, Inc., [redacted] are not members of NK, KKK, INC.,
but closely associate with JAMES VENABLE and members of NK,
KKKK, Inc. They have assisted in naturalization of members
in NK, KKK, Inc., which has previously been reported by Knox-
ville.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, ATLANTA (Your file 157-60) DATE: 12-18-64

FROM : Director, FBI (Bufile and Serial 157-168)

Room No. 87RB

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SUBJECT:

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

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	<input type="checkbox"/> report		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> letter	<input type="checkbox"/> 90-day progress letter	<input type="checkbox"/> will be submitted 12/31/64

Reporting employee _____

☐ 3. If valid reason exists for not submitting report at this time, state reason specifically and when report will be submitted _____

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	<input type="checkbox"/> letter	<input type="checkbox"/> 90-day progress letter	by _____	(Date)

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(Place reply hereon and return to Bureau. Note receipt and acknowledgment on top serial in case file.)

SAC, Atlanta (157-620)

10/19/64

Director, FBI (157-6-2)

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COMMUNIST INFLUENCE PROGRAM
INTERNAL SECURITY
INVESTIGATION OF COMM GROUPS
(NAME TO BE DETERMINED)
(NATIONAL BUREAU OF THE IN ELK
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Re: 10/14/64.

Authority is granted to interview James E. Venable, National Chairman of Regional Wing of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, (NKKK) to indicate to him that he is being used by other Klan leaders and in anticipation the interview will have a neutralizing effect on his activities.

Inasmuch as Venable is a practicing attorney and he has been described as psychotic, this interview should be conducted in a public area away from his residence and employment, and while he is alone. Two Agents experienced in racial investigation should be utilized and if deemed advisable, the interview should be observed by a third Agent. Advise the Bureau of the results of this interview promptly upon its completion and consider follow-up counterintelligence recommendations.

Before the Bureau can authorize you to bring pressure to cause cancellation of the lease of the headquarters of the NKKK at Tucker, Georgia, it will be necessary for you to advise in detail the nature of the action you desire to take and the identities of any individuals you intend to contact together with pertinent comments regarding their discretion.

Similarly before the Bureau can authorize you to alert appropriate officials regarding violations of fire and safety laws at NKKK headquarters, it will be necessary for you to advise the means by which you intend to alert the officials and to furnish assurances that they will not reveal the Bureau's interest.

1 - Atlanta (157-620)
① - 157-100 (NKKK)

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Letter to Atlanta
RE: COMMUNIST ALLIANCE PROGRAM
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Also, prior to confidentially making available information to [redacted] relating to Venables, you should furnish to the Bureau a summary of such material.

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NOTE:

See memorandum Baumgardner to Sullivan, 10/29/64, same caption, DR:lat.

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Memorandum

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Gandy ☒

DATE: October 9, 1964

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Baumgardner
- 1 - [Redacted]
- 1 - [Redacted]

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan *WCS*

FROM : Mr. F. J. Baumgardner *FJB*

SUBJECT: UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC.
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
RACIAL MATTERS

Reference is made to memorandum Rosen to Belmont, same caption as above, that Drew Pearson was to be in North Carolina, on 10-20-64 and this was of interest to the Klan.

Charlotte racial informant advised on 9-30-64, that there had been no additional discussion by the members of the Raleigh, North Carolina, klavern of captioned organization concerning Drew Pearson's appearance at Goldsboro and Greenville, North Carolina, on 10-12-64 and 10-20-64.

By way of background information was previously received that at a meeting of the above klavern, the Klan members discussed Pearson's appearance in North Carolina and a statement was made that they would wait and see what happens to Pearson on 10-20-64, prior to their taking any action concerning an article which appeared in Pearson's column which indicated he had a "plant" in the Klan at Atlanta, Georgia. By referenced memorandum it was approved that no dissemination be made at that time of the information concerning the Klan's interest in Pearson's appearance at North Carolina. It was felt that if this information came to the attention of Pearson, he might include it in one of his columns thereby jeopardizing the informant; however, approval was granted for dissemination to local authorities at a later date.

The Klan has not had any additional discussions concerning Pearson's scheduled arrival in North Carolina, and sufficient time has elapsed to protect the security of the information, therefore, we are notifying local authorities in Greenville, and Goldsboro, North Carolina, that several weeks ago members of captioned organization discussed the fact that Pearson was planning to be in Goldsboro. We are advising them that the Klansmen did not make any positive statements concerning what action they might take in connection with Pearson's appearance but the implication was that the Klansmen might take some action.

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Memorandum to Mr. W. C. Sullivan
RE: UNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC.
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

Charlotte is maintaining close contact with their informant concerning this matter and will immediately advise the Bureau and interested local authorities if any pertinent information is received.

RECOMMENDATION:

For your information.

SJS

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W. C. Sullivan



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 157-245

Cincinnati, Ohio
August 18, 1964

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National Knights of the
RE: KU KLUX KLAN

WLW-TV carried a program on the evening of June 28, 1964, which showed the burning of a cross by the Ku Klux Klan.

Harold A. Leonard, Reporter, WLW-TV, 140 West Ninth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio, advised Special Agents of the FBI on June 29, 1964, that he and Eugene Neuber, Photographer, WLW-TV attended the burning of a cross by the KKK on June 28, 1964, and they were allowed to photograph this burning. Leonard stated he counted fifteen men at this meeting, 14 of whom were wearing white hoods and one man was wearing a red hood. The leader of the group told Leonard that about 100 men had been in attendance at this meeting of the KKK.

A confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised Special Agents of the FBI on July 26, 1964, that 11 members of a newly formed KKK organization with headquarters in Cincinnati, Ohio, were accepted as members of the National organization of the KKK at National headquarters of the KKK, Chattanooga, Tennessee, on July 26, 1964. This new organization was also accepted into the KKK.

The August 7, 1964, issue of the "Cincinnati Enquirer," a daily newspaper published in Cincinnati, Ohio, contained an article on page one which was captioned "KU KLUX KLAN LEADER HELD UNDER OLD LAW."

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This article indicated that Clarence Brandenburg, operator of Valley Teletronics, 618 Mill Street, Arlington Heights, Ohio, was arrested in his shop by Cincinnati and Suburban Police officials. At this time Brandenburg admitted KKK membership and stated he was an imperial officer in the national KKK.

(Source is [redacted] who furnished information to an unknown Knoxville Agent on July 26, 1964.)

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TO - DIRECTOR (100-44804) AND NEW ORLEANS

FROM - DALLAS (105-275) 2P

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, RM.

RE NEW ORLEANS TEL JANUARY NINE LAST AND NEW ORLEANS TEL
JANUARY EIGHT LAST CAPTIONED "UNSUBS; [REDACTED] VICTIM."

[REDACTED] IS A WHITE MALE, TWENTYFIVE YEARS OF AGE,
FIVE FEET SEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SIXTYFIVE POUNDS. HE RESIDES
WITH [REDACTED] ENAHA, TEXAS, AND HIS
RESIDENCE IS LOCATED ON [REDACTED] TENANA.

HE WAS RAISED IN THAT COMMUNITY. HE OPERATES A [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IN THE AREA. HE HAS
SEVERAL NEGRO EMPLOYEES AND APPARENTLY GETS ALONG WELL WITH THEM.
HE IS A U. S. ARMY VETERAN.

[REDACTED] DRIVES A NINETEEN FIFTYFIVE TWO DOOR CHEVROLET, NINETEEN
SIXTYFOUR TEXAS LICENSE [REDACTED] IT HAS AN ALL
RED BODY WITH A WHITE TOP. IT IS IN VERY CLEAN CONDITION AND WAS
OBSERVED IN TENAHA AROUND NOON TODAY. SMITH ENJOYS A SOUND

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

DATE: 1/11/65

FROM : SAC, DETROIT (157-777)

(P) KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

SUBJECT:

INFORMATION REGARDING THE POSSIBLE
ORGANIZATION OF KU KLUX KLAN ORGANIZATIONS
IN THE STATES OF ARIZONA, CALIFORNIA,
MICHIGAN, AND OHIO
RACIAL MATTERS

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

Re Charlotte airtel to the Bureau dated 9/22/64,
captioned as above.

Logical informants and sources of the Detroit Office who are in a position to furnish information on organizations or individuals who may be involved in Ku Klux Klan activities have been alerted. No information has been received from these informants or sources concerning any Klan activity in the Detroit, Michigan area. In the event such information is received, Bureau and appropriate offices will be promptly advised.

It is to be noted that [redacted] on 9/21/64, furnished information that a State Meeting of the Association of South Carolina Klans (ASCK), was held 9/20/64, and that [redacted] mentioned that a representative from Michigan indicated that Detroit is expecting trouble from the Negroes.

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AT CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA:

Charlotte requested to recontact [redacted] in an effort to determine name of representative from Michigan or description in an effort to assist Detroit in identifying this individual.

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TO DIRECTOR (157-168) ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, CHARLOTTE, CINCINNATI,
 KNOXVILLE, LITTLE ROCK, MOBILE, TAMPA, AND NEW ORLEANS
 FROM SAVANNAH

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC., RM.

[REDACTED] ADVISED HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED TO INVITE DELEGATES
 OF ALL KLAN GROUPS ASSOCIATED WITH CAPTIONED ORGANIZATION TO
 NATIONAL MEETING AT TUCKER, GEORGIA, JANUARY 23 AND 24, NEXT.

ALL OFFICES WILL ADVISE ATLANTA OF AVAILABILITY OF INFORMANTS
 TO ATTEND THIS MEETING.

INFORMANT OF THIS OFFICE PLANS TO ATTEND IF AUTHORIZED
 BY BUREAU.

JACKSONVILLE ADVISED BY AIRMAIL.

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TO DIRECTOR (157-168), ATLANTA, AND SAVANNAH
 FROM MOBILE

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC., RM.

RE SAVANNAH RADIOGRAM JANUARY 19 INSTANT.

AT ALL PREVIOUS MEETINGS OF LOCAL KLAVERNS IN MOBILE
 DIVISION, NO MENTION HAS EVER BEEN MADE CONCERNING UPCOMING
 MEETINGS OF CAPTIONED ORGANIZATION. MOBILE INFORMANTS STATE
 HIGHLY UNLIKELY THAT THEY WILL BE INVITED TO INSTANT NATIONAL
 MEETING. NO MOBILE INFORMANTS WILL ATTEND.

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 TO DIRECTOR AND ATLANTA
 FROM NEW ORLEANS 221822

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC, RM.

RE SAVANNAH RADIOGRAM JANUARY 20 LAST. [REDACTED] ADVISES
 THAT HE WILL BE UNABLE TO ATTEND MEETING AND NO INFO HAS COME
 TO ATTENTION REGARDING IDENTITIES OF ANY INDIVIDUALS WHO WILL
 ATTEND. SOURCE ADVISES THAT [REDACTED] A KLAN [REDACTED] OF
 COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA WILL POSSIBLY ATTEND. FOR INFO ATLANTA
 [REDACTED] IS DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, [REDACTED] YEARS, SLENDER BUILD,
 WHITE HAIR AND [REDACTED]

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URGENT 1-22-65
TO DIRECTOR (157-168) AND ATLANTA
FROM BIRMINGHAM 221422

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DATE 8-19-88 BY

NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC., RM.

RE SAVANNAH RADIOGRAM JANUARY 20, LAST.
BIRMINGHAM DOES NOT HAVE ANY INFORMANT PRESENTLY AVAILABLE
TO ATTEND TUCKER, GA. MEETING MENTIONED IN REFERENCED
COMMUNICATION.

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Date: 1/20/65

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, TAMPA (157-72)NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
RM

Re Savannah radiogram 1/19/65.

No informants Tampa Division have been invited.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Atlanta, Georgia
January 26, 1965

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.

On April 13, 1964, [redacted] source advised that he had learned that James R. Venable, Chairman of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., with headquarters in Tucker, Georgia, has formed a six man "Execution Squad" known as the "Secret Six." According to the source, the function of this group is to assassinate enemies of the Klan, and according to the source, [redacted] men selected for

[redacted]
whose name was unknown to the source.

The same source has been repeatedly recontacted concerning the above matter. On January 25, 1965, the source stated he has learned that such an execution squad does not exist and that the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., has no plans for the execution of anyone.

[redacted] source stated on January 23, 1965 that James R. Venable has no such squad of persons organized to assassinate anyone.

Other sources have advised they have no knowledge of such a squad and have been unable to develop information concerning such a group.

A characterization of captioned organization is attached.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM : *JRP* SAC, ATLANTA (157-60) (P)

SUBJECT: *W* NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
RM

DATE: 1/26/65

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Re Atlanta airtel to Bureau 7/6/64 and Atlanta
letter to Bureau 12/30/64.

Enclosed for Bureau are eight copies of letterhead
memorandum and for New York one copy of letterhead memorandum
for information in view of above referenced airtel being
furnished to New York.

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[redacted] source in enclosed letterhead memorandum
is [redacted] Anti-Defamation League, 41 Exchange Place,
N. E., Atlanta, Georgia, who advised his informant who
furnished the original information concerning the "Secret
Six" has learned that such an organization does not exist.

[redacted] source is [redacted] confidential
source.

Other sources are [redacted]
[redacted]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

*In Reply, Please Refer to
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Atlanta, Georgia
January 26, 1965

Title	NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
Character	RACIAL MATTERS
Reference	Atlanta letter to Bureau dated 1/26/65 captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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Date: 1/21/65

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TO: Director, FBI (157-168)
FROM: SAC, Knoxville (157-117)

NATIONAL KLANS,
KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN, INC. NATIONAL KNIGHTS
RACIAL MATTERS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

Re SV rad 1/20/65, to Bureau and other offices.

Neither [redacted] plan to attend
meeting Tucker, Ga., of NKKKK 1/23-24/65. [redacted] advised
[redacted] stated they plan to attend this meeting. [redacted]
anticipated attending: [redacted]
DK. KKKK. Inc. [redacted]

[redacted] Any additional information
will be immediately furnished Bureau and O.O.

MEMBERS OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

- 1-87RB
3 - Bureau
2 - Atlanta (157-70)
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)

FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-188)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
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Enclosed for the Bureau are eight (8) copies of a letterhead memorandum, and for Dallas two copies of the same letterhead memorandum which are captioned in the letterhead memorandum as (1) Guns, Ammunition, and Dynamite Allegedly Stored Coushatta, Louisiana, and (2) Guns, Ammunition, and Dynamite Allegedly Stored Center, Texas.

One copy of the letterhead memorandum is being disseminated locally to 112th ICG, to Secret Service, and to A&TTU, New Orleans, Louisiana.

For the information of the Bureau, it is to be noted that the confidential source mentioned in both matters in the letterhead memorandum is [redacted]. It is to be noted [redacted] is reflected in NO file [redacted] as being developed as a potential criminal informant. [redacted] has FBI [redacted] was discontinued as a potential criminal informant 6/21/55 due to his possible involvement in the Interstate Transportation of a Stolen Motor Vehicle.

Efforts to recontact [redacted] develop further information have been negative.

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New Orleans, Louisiana
January 19, 1965

GUNS, AMMUNITION, AND
DYNAMITE ALLEGEDLY STORED
COUSHATTA, LOUISIANA

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GUNS, AMMUNITION, AND
DYNAMITE ALLEGEDLY STORED
CENTER, TEXAS

On January 13, 1965, a confidential source of the New Orleans Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation with whom contact has been too infrequent to evaluate, advised there is an underground cellar which has a door which is padlocked located about one-fourth mile off Highway 71, approximately four and one-tenth mile south of Coushatta, Louisiana. The distance was checked from the intersection of U. S. Highways 71 and 84 at the south edge of Coushatta. A large oak tree can be seen from the road as well as smaller pine trees in the area of the oak tree. There is an open field not in cultivation for some distance from the road before wooded area sets in. The cellar is reportedly to be a few steps, probably 15, to the left of the oak tree upon reaching it from Highway 71. Source claims that machine guns, rifles, shotguns, ammunition, and dynamite have been seen in the cellar. Source is of the opinion that this is on the property of [redacted] Coushatta, Louisiana, who he described as [redacted] of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

On January 11, 1965, a confidential source of the New Orleans Division of the FBI with whom contact has been too infrequent to evaluate, advised that [redacted]

[redacted] Center, Texas, has a farm on which he resides and on it are two barns. The barn located farthest from the dwelling house has one end floored, boarded up and padlocked, and in this he keeps machine guns, shotguns, rifles, and ammunition as well as dynamite. Source described Singletary as being active in the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

A characterization of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is set forth on the attached page.

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan *wcy*

DATE: 1/27/65

FROM : J. A. Sizoo

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SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE K.K.K., INC.
INTERNAL SECURITY - K.K.K.

SAC Ponder of Atlanta called yesterday and advised that [redacted] had received a telephone call the previous evening from [redacted] of subject klan, requesting that the informant [redacted]

[redacted] said this was highly desirable as it would make it possible for the informant to develop information regarding klan activities in Louisiana and also strengthen his position in the captioned klan. He requested authorization to pay informant up to [redacted] for expenses as it would be necessary for the informant to close his business for two days while he is away.

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In response to [redacted] request, I authorized payment to the informant up to [redacted] for the purpose indicated.

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1-Mr. Sullivan
1-Mr. Belmont
1-Mr. Baumgardner

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SAC, Atlanta (157-60)

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Director, FBI (157-168)

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**NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
RACIAL MATTERS**

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Re Savannah airtel and letterhead memorandum, 1/29/65,
with copies to below listed offices, pertaining to a
recently held national meeting of the National Knights of
the Ku Klux Klan (NNKKK).

Included in the information furnished by
Savannah informant, [redacted] are the following points
to which recipient offices should be particularly alert.

1. According to Klan officials, the next
meeting of the NNKKK will be held in May (1965).
2. A motion was passed to the effect that
200 copies of important Klan documents, including
the constitution and bylaws, be printed and be on
hand at the national office for Klan members.
3. Considerable discussion was held pertaining
to a merger of Klans into one organization having one
Imperial Wizard. Concerning a merger it was indicated
that some Klan officials might call meetings of the
leaders of various groups to discuss this matter.

Recipient offices should remain most vigilant for
any information pertaining to the above and keep the Bureau
currently advised.

- 1 - Birmingham (105-469)
- 1 - Charlotte (157-193)
- 1 - Cincinnati (157-252)
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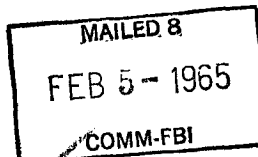
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Letter to Atlanta

RE: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

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NOTE: It is most important that we stay on top of activities and plans of the NKKKK. Offices responsible for the investigation of NKKKK activities should be alert to future meetings and a possibility of a merger of Klans.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (157-168)
FROM : SAC, SAVANNAH (157-210)
RE : NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
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Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are the original and seven copies of a letterhead memorandum, for the other offices listed two copies each, except Knoxville, Little Rock, and Tampa for which offices one copy, each, is designated, captioned "NATIONAL MEETING, NKKKK, TUCKER, GA., 1/23-24/65."

The confidential source mentioned in the LHM [redacted] contacted by SA [redacted] on 1/27/65.

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Savannah, Georgia
January 29, 1965

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NATIONAL MEETING,
NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC.,
TUCKER, GEORGIA,
JANUARY 23-24, 1965

A confidential source advised, on January 27, 1965, that a national meeting of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, a characterization of which is attached hereto as an appendix, was held at the headquarters of this organization at Tucker, Georgia, on January 23 and 24, 1965.

A dinner was held at the headquarters, beginning at 7:30 P.M., on January 23, and the actual meeting was opened with a prayer at 8:30 P.M., on January 23, 1965.

At the Saturday night meeting, various klan leaders spoke generally about the klan activities in their areas and criticized the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) for infiltrating the klan. The general theme was that the Negroes had their organizations, and the white people were entitled to theirs without the FBI intruding.

[redacted] and the United Klans of America, Inc., a characterization of which is attached hereto as an appendix, were criticized for permitting the "Saturday Evening Post," a nationally circulated magazine, to print their recent article about the klan.

The Southern Baptist Convention was criticized, for some of the books they were distributing, as being Communist inspired. The names of James Baldwin and

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Martin Luther King, specifically, were mentioned, and the only book specifically mentioned was "First Next Time."

The Southern Baptist Convention is an organization of Baptist Churches, with headquarters in Nashville, Tennessee, whose members are Baptist Churches throughout the world.

The meeting was adjourned about 10:45 P.M., until breakfast at 7:30 A.M., on January 24, 1965.

After breakfast, the regular meeting on January 24, 1965, began at 9:03 A.M., with a [REDACTED].

A motion was made and passed that the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan meet only three times a year, in January, May, and in September on the Labor Day weekend.

A motion was also made and passed that Chairman James R. Venable and [REDACTED], of Louisiana, organize the next meeting in May in accordance with the constitution and by-laws of the organization.

A motion was made and passed that [REDACTED] of Louisiana, be appointed [REDACTED]. This chair had not been filled at the previous election.

Several delegates present suggested that the original constitution and by-laws of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, a characterization of which is attached hereto, be used by the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, and a motion was made and passed that two hundred copies, each, of important klan documents, such as the constitution and by-laws, initiation of officers, and such, be printed to have on hand at the national office to give to delegates and members.

A motion was made and passed that, at the Saturday meetings, each klan group represented will be limited to one speaker, and that speaker will be limited to ten minutes. The secretary would have the authority to call the

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NATIONAL KKKK

speaker down if he went over the ten minutes. Also included in this motion was the elimination of speeches during the business meetings on Sundays.

There was considerable discussion about each member klan group giving up their individual identity and merging into one klan organization, with one Imperial Wizard and one Grand Dragon for each state. Nothing was resolved, and it was decided to carry this discussion further at the next meeting. It was indicated that some of the klan leaders might call meetings of the leaders of the various groups to discuss a possible merger into one group.

A motion was made and passed that the minutes be kept for only one year and then destroyed.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:45 P.M., on January 24, 1965.

The delegates in attendance and the klans represented were as follows:

ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH CAROLINA KLANS

[redacted]
[redacted] unidentified delegates.

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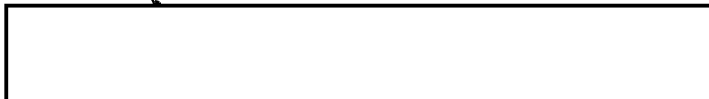
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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

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ORIGINAL KLANS OF LOUISIANA



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APPENDIX -

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ORIGINAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN
(ARKANSAS - LOUISIANA) (OKKKK)

A source advised on November 7, 1960, that according to the Exalted Cyclops of the Texarkana, Arkansas, Klavern of the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (OKKKK), a meeting was held in Texarkana, Arkansas, on November 5, 1960, and six men from Shreveport, Louisiana, joined the OKKKK and those six were to form a klavern in Shreveport.

The same source advised that on December 1, 1960, [redacted] of Shreveport, Louisiana, was in Texarkana, Arkansas, and had a letter from the Imperial Grand Dragon of the OKKKK establishing Bristol as Grand Dragon in Texarkana and Shreveport, Louisiana.

On January 21, 1961 [redacted] source obtained from Bristol a current document bearing the seal which read: "Original Knights, Ku Klux Klan, USA, Imperial Seal, [redacted] 1866."

[redacted] source advised on October 18, 1961, that the aims of the organization are the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy, and segregation.

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APPENDIXUNITED KLANS OF AMERICA, INC.
KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN (UK)

Records of Superior Court of Fulton County, Georgia, show that this klan organization was granted a corporate charter on February 21, 1961, at Atlanta, Georgia, under the name United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc.

A source advised on February 27, 1961, that United Klans was formed as a result of a split in U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc. According to the source, the split resulted from a leadership dispute and United Klans has the same aims and objectives as the parent group. These are the promotion of Americanism, white supremacy and segregation of the races.

[] source and [] source advised in July, 1961, that United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc., merged with Alabama Knights, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. The merged organization established headquarters in Suite 401, The Alston Building, Tuscaloose, Alabama. The organization is [] and is the dominant Klan group in the South with units in several southern states.

On August 14, 1961, [] source advised that the organization formerly known as United Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan of America, Inc., would be known in the future as United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan. [] source said the name was changed by a resolution adopted at the National Klonvocation held July 8, 1961, at Indian Springs, Georgia.

[] source advised that at a meeting at Prattville, Alabama, on October 22, 1961, a majority of the Klaverns of the U. S. Klans, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, merged with the United Klans of America, Inc., Knights of the Ku Klux Klan.

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Savannah, Georgia
January 29, 1965

TITLE	NATIONAL MEETING, NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN, INC., TUCKER, GEORGIA, JANUARY 23-24, 1965
CHARACTER	RACIAL MATTERS
REFERENCE	Savannah memorandum dated January 29, 1965, captioned as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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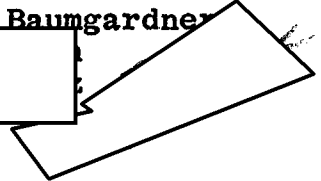
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TO : Mr. Sullivan

DATE: 2/18/65

FROM : F. J. Baumgardner

1 - Mr. Belmont
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SUBJECT: NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE
KU KLUX KLAN, INC.
RACIAL MATTERS

James R. Venable, National Chairman of the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, Inc., recently indicated his pleasure over the prospect of an investigation of the Klan by the House Committee on Un-American Activities (HCUA). It is Venable's belief that the publicity resulting from such an investigation "would give the Klan the shot in the arm that it needs"

Wide publicity has followed the proposal of Congressman Charles L. Weltner (Democrat, Georgia), member of the HCUA, to investigate the Ku Klux Klan. While the former HCUA Chairman, the late Congressman Francis Walter, declared in 1961 that his committee should not investigate the Ku Klux Klan because it had "not engaged in any activity on behalf of a foreign power," no such comments have been made by current committee members.

The National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, headquartered in Tucker, Georgia, is one of the smallest of the fourteen active Klan organizations in the United States. It is among the most active groups in urging a unification of the various Klans.

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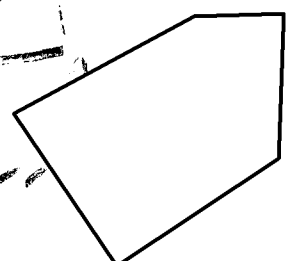
The above information pertaining to Venable's desire for a Klan investigation be disseminated to a representative of the HCUA through the office of Assistant Director DeLoach.

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NATIONAL KNIGHTS OF THE KU
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GA. A confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised on February 9, 1965, that JAMES R. VENABLE is extremely pleased over the prospects of an investigation of the Ku Klux Klan by the House Committee on Un-American Activities of the United States Congress.

Source stated that VENABLE, who is chairman of the captioned organization, believes the publicity resulting from such an investigation would give the Klan the shot in the arm that it needs at this time.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, DETROIT (Your file 157-777) DATE: 2/23/65

FROM : Director, FBI (Bufile and Serial 157-168)
Room No. 817 RB(RCD)

SUBJECT : INFORMATION CONCERNING THE POSSIBLE ORGANIZATION
OF KU KLUX KLAN ORGANIZATIONS IN THE STATES OF
ARIZONA, CALIFORNIA, MICHIGAN, AND OHIO.
RACIAL MATTERS

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RACIAL MATTERS**

Reurlet dated 2/19/65, which advised that the National Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (NKKKK) group in Coushatta, Louisiana, may soon split from this Klan to form an independent organization. In addition, several splits have occurred within the Original Knights of the Ku Klux Klan (OKKKK), with some of the members supporting various factions and in some instances actually defecting from the state organization.

You should insure that continuous efforts are made to stay on top of this matter and keep the Bureau currently advised. Particular emphasis should be placed on obtaining all available data pertaining to former members of the OKKKK "operating independently."

Pertinent information should be furnished the Bureau, in form suitable for dissemination with copies directed to appropriate Bufiles.

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NOTE:

Within the past few months, information obtained by New Orleans indicated dissatisfaction on the part of Klans in the NKKKK and OKKKK. NO should stay on top of the apparent dissatisfaction among Klansmen in Louisiana.

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